Inspectors query record grades

Patten pledges action on GCSE exam standards

By JOHN O'LEARY, EDUCATION CORESPONDENT

JOHN Patten yesterday reacted to a critical report on GCSE examinations with a promise of urgent action to maintain standards. The education secretary was immediately accused of undermining the achievements of pupils who were awarded record grades only five days ago. The report by Her Majesty's Inspectorate registered "limited confidence" in this year's results. It concluded: The evidence could point to

dards since the introduction of the GCSE in 1988." Some head teachers expressed resentment over the timing of the announcement, which coincided with the first day of term in many parts of the country. Although Mr Patten emphasised that he did not wish to detract from the credit due to pupils and teachers, Ann Taylor, Labour's spokeswoman on education, said the statement

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would damage morale. Mrs Taylor questioned Mr

AND THE STATE OF T French poll tide turns

The latest French polls show a turn in the tide towards a "yes" vote in the September 20 referendum. The lfop company found the potential vote balanced at 50-50 compared with 53 per cent against and 47 in favour a week ago. The Sofres poli showed 53 per against compared with 51 and 49 last week Page 7 Show must go on, page 10

Cash flow

High Street banks were warned that the re-imposition of charges for customers who keep their accounts in credit would mean an exodus to the building

Welcome wave

Lord Montagu of Beaulieu. the man who pioneered the opening of stately homes to the public, prepares to welcome his 20 millionth ... Page 5

Russian war

Eduard Shevardnadze, the leader of Georgia, has tele-phoned President Yeltsin to complain that Russian forces have fired on his troops in an area where the Georgians are fighting

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warships to the Gulf to help the tightening of sanctions against Iraq..... Page 9

Faith and hope

Graham Taylor, the England manager, has kept faith with the players who failed in the European football championships as he turns the task of qualifying for the 1994 World

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Patten's motives in commenting before the report was pub-lished. "It is wholly irrespon-sible to create uncertainty by announcing that changes may be needed this year without publishing the full report so that parents and teachers can make an informed assessment."
The full text of the report

will not be published until next week. However, Mr Patten said: "It is vital that students, their parents and employers have confidence in the GCSE. It would be irresponsible not to act swiftly in the face of such serious reservations expressed by the inspectorate."

Last week's results saw more than half of a rising number of entries awarded the equivalent of an O-level pass for the first time. The fifth successive rise in pass rates since the qualification was introduced was marked by an improvement of 2.3 per cent in the proportion achieving the top three grades. One entry in eight received an A

The figures represented an improvement of almost 29 per cent since the last year of O levels in 1987, when fewer than 40 per cent of students achieved A to C grades. Leading right-wing educationists said that the comparison offered grounds for an enquiry into standards.

Inspectors said that the quality of GCSE papers was "uneven", and they expressed particular concern at the lack of suitable challenge for the brightest pupils. Criteria for the award of different grades needed to be more objective, with more consistent procedures adopted by the exam boards. They said that the assessment of spelling, punctuation and grammar was inconsistent and that coursework needed to be vetted more closely to reduce the need to adjust teachers'

The report, delivered to Mr Patten last week, followed visits to all four GCSE examining groups in England. Examinations were evaluated in 26 syllabuses in ten subjects. The examination boards were told of the findings at a meeting with the education secretary last

Thursday, the day on which this year's results were

Dennis Hatfield, the chairman of the Joint Council for the GCSE, said: "We take great care to ensure consistency and I have no reason to doubt this year's gradings, which were much as I expected. However, if an outside body says that something is amiss, we at least have to look at their evidence and see what it means."

Mr Patten has promised to give details of areas which caused concern among the inspectorate in time for the boards to meet the deadline for responses at the end of this

John Marks, a member of the School Examinations and Assessment Council (Seac), said the report underlined his concern that standards were at risk. "Mr Patten should order a wide-ranging and independent enquiry as soon as possible, going back before the introduction of GCSE."

Teachers' unions reacted angrily to Mr Patten's announcement. David Hart, the general secretary of the National Association of Head Teachers, described the report as a "slap in the face" for pupils who had just received their results. "It is totally out of kilter with the experience of examining boards, heads and classroom teachers and the government," he said. "The sooner these criticisms can be dealt with and answered the

Nigel de Gruchy, the general secretary of the National Association of Schoolmasters and Union of Women Teachers, said: "This sounds like a politically motivated lastminute conversion to rightwing orthodoxy, in an attempt to secure a stay of execution over the govern-ment's plans to abolish the

HMI in its present form." Mrs Taylor accused Mr Patten of trying to influence the report's reception with a one-sided picture of its contents. "It would be tragic if children were to face further unnecessary changes simply in order for John Patten to Continued on page 14, col 1

Qualified success, page 2 Diary, page 10

Two dollars to the pound as shares fall

BY OUR BUSINESS STAFF

THE dollar plunged to an alltime low against the German mark yesterday and pushed the pound to within a hair's breadth of its limit in the exchange-rate mechanism.

The slump in the dollar pushed the pound above \$2, and sent share prices tumbling to their lowest since the Gulf war. The Bank of England and the other European central banks may be forced to intervene today to keep the pound above its ERM minimum.

The dollar fell to DM 1.3905 after reports that the Federal Reserve had intervened to support the

Leading analysts said the fall would continue. "This is a dollar crisis in the making and it is starting to spill over into the ERM," said Paul Chertkow, the head of foreign exchange strategy at UBS

Phillips & Drew, the broker. The pound rose to \$2.0002 at the official market close. the first time it has closed above \$2 since the Gulf war. But it also closed at DM2.7859, less than a pfennig above its ERM limit. The FT-SE 100 index fell 14.2 points to 2298.4, its lowest since February last



Railing **Fischer** struts the boards

THE Bobby Fischer show is on the road again. In an amazing display of histrionics the grand old man of chess yesterday railed against all and sundry in a bizarre press conference marking his return to the chess board after a

20-year absence. Judaism, Israel, the United Nations and trade sanctions against Yugoslavia all came in for withering fusillades and just for good measure he accused his Soviet rivals of fixing their games.

The genius many believe to be the greatest chess player of all time, will today at 3.30pm pit his mental wits against his old foe, Boris Spassky, in his first public game since he defeated Spassky in 1972. But time has not mellowed Fischer's eccentricity.

He said: "I don't support the sanctions against Yugoslavia. I don't support the UN. Look at Israel. There is resolution after resolution against them to give up the West Bank. They have ignored these resolutions and there were never any sanctions against them.
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pretty good resolution against Israel that Zionism is racism Full details, page 15 Continued on page 14, col 6

UN fearful about Sarajevo tamine

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workers in Bosnia-Herzegovina are drawing up urgent plans to prevent hunger and freezing temperatures in Sarajevo claiming more lives than the snipers' bullets and

artillery shells this winter.
Although it is still high summer, UN officials say that the capital's airport and the mountain route used for humanitarian aid supplies will be blocked by mists, freezing fog and snow within two months. "If it is an average winter in Bosnia and if we can use only the airport and the road we are using today. then we will not be able to bring in enough food for winter. People will starve," said Dag Espeland, logistics of-ficer for the UN High Com-missioner for Refugees, at

Sarajevo airport. Five British trucks are expected to join the overland convoy from Split tomorrow and five other Italian trucks should enable the UN to run a more substantial operation into the Bosnian capital. However, these additions to the convoy will make little difference to the city's de-

mand for food. Sarajevo needs 230 tonnes of food a day to survive. In logistical terms that means a grand total of 75 lorries are needed to supply the relief operation to the city. The UN has only 65 trucks throughout the whole of the former

UNITED Nations relief Yugoslavia. There is one road which could serve as an allweather convoy route, from Split via Mostar. However, that highway has been the scene of bitter fighting be-tween Croats and Serb forces. In addition, two bridges and one tunnel have either been seriously damage or destroyed. Four separate parts of the road are in areas of recent fighting and are

As if to remind them of the desperation within the city, heavy fighting continued yes-terday around Sarajevo airport and the suburb of Dobrinja. Shells also fell on the city centre. At least two people were reported killed and several wounded.

We watched as, barely 500 yards from the UN hangars at the airport, mortar shells landed on houses just outside the airport perimeter. White puffs of smoke rose above what remained of the redtiled roofs of houses in the district. A sniper shot echoed in the heavily wooded hills around the airport. There were also what sounded like rocket-propelled grenades being launched parallel to the

airport runway.

A tyre factory in Bosnian-held territory along the front line was hit overnight - almost certainly by Serb artil-Continued on page 14, Col 3

Maxwell £400m debt hearing deferred

JOHN MANNING

BY ANGELA MACKAY

KEVIN Maxwell escaped being made Britain's biggest ever bankrupt yesterday when his case was further

adjourned until tomorrow.

Despite a private hearing at the High Court that lasted almost three hours, lawyers for Mr Maxwell and the liquidators of Bishopsgate Invest-ment Management (BIM) emerged to announce that the bankruptcy petition had not

been heard. Keith Oliver, of Peters & Peters, Mr Maxwell's solicitor, said: "The bankruptcy petition has been adjourned until Thursday at the earliest. It would be inappropriate for Mr Maxwell to say anything at this stage."

Mr Maxwell emerged from

the court looking relaxed and sporting a beard. He refused to elaborate on his solicitor's comment but said that the whole process had been

Robson Rhodes, BIM's liquidators, obtained an order in July demanding that Mr Maxwell make interim payments of £406.8 million pending assessment of his total liabilities. The liquidators originally claimed £450 million in damages, representing the pensions monies found missing last December from Maxwell pension funds.

While Mr Maxwell is not defending the bankruptcy order, he is arguing against the liquidators' attempt to bring an expedited petition for bankruptcy. Such an action is brought when there is a possibility that the value of the debtor's property may be "significantly diminished" in the meantime. It is believed that was the subject of the legal argument yesterday. Mr Maxwell's brother Ian is fighting a move by Bishops-

gate to make him bankrupt. · Britain's biggest bankrupt to date is still William Stern, the former property magnate who went under owing £118 million in 1974.

• Earlier, Mr Maxwell, his brother Ian and an associate, Larry Trachtenberg, were further remanded until December 1 by the City of London magistrates. Kevin faces eight theft and fraud charges totalling £140 million, and his brother is charged with conspiracy to defraud. Mr Trachtenberg faces six charges of theft and fraud.



OF '92



Russian children returned to school yesterday and for some of them it was a novel lesson in

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A decorative masterpiece which co-starred with Marlene Dietrich is up for grabs, on her instructions

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How to ration the time your child watches TV

FROM BEN MACINTYRE IN NEW YORK

PARENTS too weak-willed, indulgent or exhausted to insist that their children turn off the television can take hope from a new gadget introduced in the United States. TV Allowance is an electronic disciplinarian that permits each member of the family a specific amount of viewing time and turns off the set when it runs out.

The machine was invented by an amateur scientist from Florida who said that his family life was being destroyed by battles with his children over the amount of time they spent in front of the box. It went on sale in America last month for \$99 (£55). It is being adapted to European sets and is expected to

reach Britain early next year. The principle is simple every member of the family is allotted an individual code which must be punched into the

minute watched deducts a minute from that person's viewing allocation. The inventor, Randal Levenson, said that the machine teaches the young selfdiscipline and discrimination and, moreover, instils the essentials of capitalism since children can save up their viewing time, barter it with each other

or team up to maximise their resources.
"Initially I invented it just so I could stop yelling at my kids over the tele-vision, but it's really more a teaching tool than an authoritarian device," Mr Levenson said. "It teaches kids budget-ing techniques, the art of the deal and business ethics." Parents can programme the machine

not to turn on at certain times (mealtimes, or during homework hours) and, like most parental restrictions, it is unfair, parents are able to allocate themselves unlimited viewing time. A recent survey revealed that the average American teenager spends three hours a day in front of the television, but authorities on child care are divided over whether a machine such as TV Allowance is the way to reduce television time, let alone maintain harmonious family relations. Some child psychologists argue that children should be weaned off television by persuasion and consultation and that "house rules" should be enforced by parents, not gadgets.

A number of satisfied customers report that the new contraption has successfully persuaded their children to look for other forms of entertainment. Others have found that their children simply alter their viewing habits: turning off the television during commercials, forcing younger siblings to surrender their viewing codes and refusions to peak a number of their viewing codes and refusions to peak a number of their viewing codes and refusions to peak a number of their viewing codes and refusions to peak their viewing codes are their viewing thei ing to watch anything recommended by their parents unless it is taken off the parents' viewing time.

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Sparkling form: Laura Davies, aged four, who is recovering from a bowel and liver transplant, celebrates her release from hospital in Pittsburgh by meeting the press. Flanked by her parents Fran and Les, from Lancashire, she said: "I'm feeling well. I like it in America."

Heads scornful of performance-related pay for teachers

By MATTHEW D'ANCONA, EDUCATION CORRESPONDENT

HEAD teachers are almost universally hostile to proposals for performance-related pay (PRP) in the teaching profession, and regard existing incentive allowances as an ineffective means of rewarding dassroom performance, according to a survey of more than three thousand schools published today.

The report, compiled for the National Association of Head Teachers, found "substantial levels of dissatisfaction" with plans to introduce PRP from next year among the 3,300 heads responding, and widespread concern that it would inevitably be linked to the new teacher appraisal scheme.

Many heads argued that "the basic building blocks for a successful human resource strategy are not in place," citing factors such as the inequitable funding of schools and the complexities of the current pay system.

Only 3 per cent of heads said they used existing incentive allowances to reward classroom excellence, comnated to 79 per cent who used these discretionary awards to top up the salaries of teachers

assuming extra responsibility. Many complained that such allowances, which range from £1,296 to £7,692, were already

The heads' responses are to be submitted to the School Teachers' Review Body as evidence for next January's report on performance related pay to the prime minister. Ministers have already rejected the review body's call for top-up cash bonuses to academically successful schools. in favour of performance pay



David Hart: "heads are sceptical

for individual teachers drawn from schools' existing budgets.

David Hart, general secre-tary of NAHT, said it was as plain as a pikestaff" that heads were deeply sceptical about performance pay, potentially the most contentious area of the government's education reforms.

"Ministers should take note of this evidence, which shows that heads don't believe that PRP sits at all easily with the concept of teamwork upon which the running of schools

Those who claimed that

performance pay could be drawn from an "already inadequate" pay bill were "flying in the face of all the received evidence", Mr Hart added. The education department said the government re-mained convinced that performance pay was the best way of encouraging teaching excel-lence. "Every teacher should be eligible for PRP and this will only be achieved if the focus on targets permeates the whole pay and decision-making process," it said.

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GCSE: qualified success is under examination

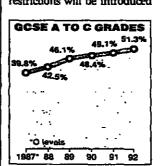
John O'Leary recalls the trials of a..... beleagured qualification, damned whether it succeeds or fails

JOHN Patten's intervention on marking standards is merely the latest in a long series of trials to have beset the GCSE. Only the 11-plus could be said to have divided educational opinion so

The idea of a single examination taken before the compulsory school-leaving age took 20 years to come to fruition. Since it did, in spite of growing popularity with teachers and pupils, the enterprise has often seemed doomed to disaster.

Ironically for a qualification whose critics invariably come from the right, the GCSE's initiator was Lord Joseph, who saw it as his greatest achievement as education secretary. His main concern was for the least able 40 per cent of pupils, who never took O levels. The new syllabuses introduced in 1986 were to cater for them as well as their more academic contemporaries.

Sceptics said that a single examination would never work because of the spread of ability it covered. In the simplest terms, it would be too easy to stretch the brightest pupils, or provide a grounding for A level and higher education. When the first examinations were held, in 1988, they were condemned as superfi-More recently, coursework has become the main target. John Major led the attack on the proportion of marks awarded outside the examination hall, and new restrictions will be introduced



in 1994. Even the qualificainto millstones around its neck. Five successive years of rising pass rates have been taken by the critics of GCSE to indicate unreliable marking and low standards. The inspectors' report, which should be published next week, will bring the controversy to a

Throughout the years of criticism, the GCSE has; secured overwhelming support among teachers and fired the enthusiasm of pupils. Supporters in schools believe that coursework has given confidence to pupils daunted by examinations without sacrificing rigour. They see GCSE placing greater value on the development of relevant knowledge, at the expense of

rote learning.
The GCSE's admirers believe that schools are caught in a vicious circle damned if performance improves. damned if it does not. They attribute rising pass rates to the success of educational reforms and growing familiarity

with the qualification. George Turnbull, a spokesman for the Southern Examining Group, one of the largest GCSE boards, which have gone out of their way this year to stress the level of care they take to ensure consistency, said it was strange that HMI should suddenly be so critical of the qualification. "We are convinced standards are being maintained. The GCSEs are the same from year to year and neither get easier nor harder."

Changes in the pipeline for 1994, which will see papers set for different ability ranges, as well as limiting the marks for coursework, should satisfy some of the GCSE's critics. The inspectors have ensured that there will be no respite until then.

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Labour draws up jobs and homes package

BY PHILIP WEBSTER, CHIEF POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT

A PACKAGE of employment, investment and housing market measures aimed at removing the fear of unemployment and restoring confidence in the economy was advocated by the Labour leadership last night.
Gordon Brown, the shadow

Chancellor, called on Norman Lamont to make joint European expansion the centrepiece of this weekend's meeting of European finance ministers in Bath. Mr Brown gave a warning that unless urgent action was taken to end the recession, parts of British industry could be lost for ever.

As the shadow cabinet's economic committee prepares for a key meeting tomorrow to discuss Labour's economic stance, Mr Brown made it plain that Labour was not calling for a realignment of exchange-rate

Leadership sources made it clear that John Smith would resist calls from within the party for Labour to identify itself with demands for a revaluation, which he believes would damage Labour in the long-term. The party accepts that a realignment would not necessarily lead to a reduction in interest rates. The party will instead concentrate on putting forward alternative measures

to tackle the recession. Mr Brown said there was a clamour for change from the public, industry and from



public for change

within the Tory party. He published a Labour survey suggesting that capacity in the car industry was down 11.7 per cent, textiles by 11.5 per cent, footwear and clothing by 13.4 per cent, and metals by 12.7 per cent. "No other country has seen such a fall in capacity in key sectors."

He called for measures to

reduce unemployment, for fiscal and business investment incentives, and help for housing associations to buy unsold properties for rent. He told a Westminster news conference: "Our argument is that people will spend, invest and move homes and thus expand the economy only if we take measures that will remove the fear of unemployment. It is fear of rising unemployment and insecurity about our eco-

ing the economy back." Meanwhile Frank Dobson, the shadow employment secretary, said that more than a third of manufacturing jobs have been lost since 1979.

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The country was being "brought to its knees" by the loss of 2.4 million manufacturing jobs, with the South East and West Midlands hardest-hit, he said. The number of people employed in manufacturing fell from 7.1 million in June 1979 to 4.6 million in December 1991.

Two-dollar pound, page 15

Farming brothers buy village for £5m

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Two local farmers who are brothers have bought the village Two local tarmers who are brothers have bought the village of West Tisted, near Alresford in Hampshire, with 40 cottages, a shop, rectory, stud, farm and shoot, for an estimated £5 million (Rachel Kelly writes). A spokeswoman for the new owners, William and Ashwin Hill, said yesterday that the estate would be kept intact and that the future of the 100 villagers, about half of whom work on the estate,

The 1,800 acre estate was sold by the trustees of Basil Samuel, the property developer, who with his brother Howard Samuel built up Great Portland Estates and who died four years ago. He bought the estate after the war. The new owners, both unmarried, live in Fareham. Hampshire, where they have wide-ranging business and farming interests. The particular attraction of West Tisted was its interests. The particular attraction of West Issued was its farm, which has won numerous local farming prizes, said the spokeswoman. They have bought the freehold of the estate, subject to the existing occupancies of the village residents. All its 1930s semi-detached cottages are occupied. A few years ago the ownership of the estate might have attracted a wealthy industrialist, but the property stump has seen a dearth of such buyers and prices have halved.

House prices fall again

House prices fell for the third month running in July with the market showing no sign of a recovery, the Nationwide building society said yesterday. Prices slipped by 0.2 per cent after falling 0.5 per cent in each of the previous two months, according to the monthly survey by Britain's second biggest society. The unfreezing of stamp duty during the middle of last month and uncertainty over interest rates are likely to depress the market still further in the short term, Melville-Ross, the society's chief executive said. The average cost of a home has dropped by around £700 since January and is more than 5 per cent down on last year. Mr Melville-Ross said that prices were at a 20-year low in relation to

Heart girl 'levelling'

The condition of Wendy Walker, the ten-year-old heart transplant patient was yesterday said to be slowly "levelling". Wendy, recovering in intensive care from a bowel operation at the Freeman Hospital. Newcastle upon Tyne, where she received a new heart seven days ago, was described as "still very poorly". But a hospital spokesman added: "Her condition has not worsened. She is levelling, but very slowly." Wendy, from Longforgan, Tayside, had her heart damaged beyond repair by a virus contracted on a school trip. Doctors feared that she would not live for more than 72 hours, but she survived for seven weeks until a heart

Moore studio enquiry

An enquiry opens today into plans to develop Henry Moore's studio complex in Hertfordshire, which the sculptor's daughter has described as very far from her father's wishes. Permission had been refused by East Hertfordshire District Council. Mary Moore, who has asked David Mellor, the heritage secretary, to list the buildings, is expected to give evidence at the enquiry, which has been allocated five days. The Henry Moore Foundation has put forward plans for new study and visitor centres at Perry Green. Much Hadham, Moore's home from 1946 until his death six years ago. The foundation claims present facilities are now wholly inadequate for its work.

Dogs to die after attack

Eleven dogs from a pack that savaged a nine-year-old girl are expected to share the fate of 28 already destroyed. Beverley Hurst was attacked by the pack, kept by a farmer, as she walked with her sister in the Cheshire village of Pickmere on Saturday. She is described as "stable" with serious injuries, in Liverpool's Alder Hey children's hospital. All the dogs have now been rounded up. Eleven found yesterday are not thought to be dangerous, but police say they want to avoid any chance of a repeat attack. The pack's keeper, Alan Gerrard, of Hall Farm, Hall Lane, Pickmere, has refused permission for four of the dogs to be put down. A file is being prepared and will be sent to the Crown Prosecution

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Mansion demolished

Demolition work began yesterday on Minto House, family seat of the earls of Minto, in spite of it being designated as a grade A listed building by lan Lang, the Scottish secretary. Contractors moved into the neo-classical house after Borders regional council, of which the sixth Earl of Minto is convener, granted a dangerous building notice enabling demolition of those parts considered unsafe. The move just five days after Mr Lang broke his holiday and stepped in to save the mansion - has infuriated the Scottish Civic Trust and other conservationists.

Lord Minto said he was also applying for consent to demolish the whole house.

Union fights ruling

A judge's preliminary view that a trade union could be breaking the law if it endorses a call for a strike before its members are balloted, is to be challenged in the Court of Appeal. The High Court ruling has alarmed activists, who fear it could be a serious blow to their ability to protect their members. The decision came yesterday, after Mrs Justice Ebsworth ordered the local government union NALGO to call off a strike involving 1,100 council staff in the east London borough of Newham, over compulsory redundan-

Mr Phil Thompson, a NALGO official, said: "The ruling outlaws a union campaign for a yes vote."

Jury told of PC shooting

A jury at the Old Bailey was told yesterday how a policeman was shot in the groin as he searched a motorist. Sgt Alan Jones, 35, who was taken to hospital by helicopter after the shooting on December 19 last year, had stopped two men in a Ford Sierra because he suspected them of kerb crawling. In fact, said Orlando Pownall, for the prosecution, Robert Fallon, 34, and Christopher Danaber, 33, were gunmen in a stolen car looking for a robbery target. Fallon deties attempting to murder Sgt Jones. Both men, from Wembley, deny the theft of the Sierra and having firearms with intent to endanger life. Danaher also pleads not guilty to conspiracy to rob. The trial continues.

Bough apologises

Frank Bough, the television presenter photographed in the Sunday Mirror visiting a club offering sado-masochistic services, apologised yesterday for the distress he had caused his wife and family. Mr Bough, 59, who was exposed by another newspaper four years ago as attending a sex and drug party, said that he was "feeling exceedingly stupid". In a BBC interview previewed on Sky, he said: "I bitterly regret all these things, but I have to say that I believe that everybody, when they have difficulties with their marriage or sexuality, surely has the right to sort these things out in the privacy of their own home." Asked about being caught for a second time. Mr Bough said: "I can say that I made a resolve then and I have not kept that resolve. I have been weak and I have been silly." His wife, Nesta, said that she

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Land Rover defies recession

By Kevin Eason, motoring correspondent

LAND ROVER is to increase production. The move contrasts sharply with the situa-tion at Britain's other major car manufacturers where lost sales have led to short-time working. The company announced yesterday that it is raising output of its Discovery range by 10 per cent to 550 a week Production of Range Rovers goes up from 350 to 370 a week.

Those rates could be increased further as Land Rover emerges as one of the few companies which has been able to overcome the recessionary trend of the past three

Workers at the plant at Solihull, West Midlands, have been told unofficially that output of the Discovery could be raised to 600 a week before

the end of the year. The announcement at Land Rover was greeted yesterday with astonishment by motor industry analysts. The market for luxury vehicles, which in-cludes the £21,000 Discovery and the Range Rover priced between £26,000 and £35.000, has shrunk during the recession. Last week Jaguar announced 700 redundancies because of the drastic fall in orders both at home

and abroad.

At the same time both Ford and Rover, the main massmanufacturing arm of the Rover Group which includes Land Rover, have put thousands of workers on short-time while the recession continue to deepen. Sales of new ca... in August showed little sign of reviving beyond the level of last year, which had the worst

total since 1982. Manufacturers reported last night that sales last month were fractionally up on August 1991, with about three sales days yet to be reported. They believe sales could be about 40.000 down on last year's 368,000 but the total for 1992 could be as low as 1.55 million, down on the 1.59 million of 1991 and significantly below the 1989 record of 2.3 million.

Land Rover, which markets a range of relatively highlypriced vehicles competing for sales against Mercedes-Benn, Jaguar and BMW, seems to have become an oasis in a desert of sales. Orders have remained strong in the UK. hightly better than in 1991. while other luxury car makers have suffered falls of up to 40 per cent.

The Defender model, the derivative of the original Land Rover vehicle which launched the company in 1948, was launched in the United States for the first time earlier this IN BRIEF brothers 2e for £5m

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Pressure increases on banks to shelve account charges

BANKS came under renewed pressure yesterday to shelve plans to abolish free banking. As analysts warned of a revolt by customers transferring millions of pounds out of clearing banks, senior Labour figures called on the Chancellor to set up an enquiry into bank costs. charges and services.

The spectre of a mass exodus from banks was raised yesterday by John Reid, a director of Mori Financial Services, which regularly monitors customers' views for the big banks. He said: "If banks re-introduce charges. that might provoke a backlash. At the moment, more than two thirds of customers with the big four high street banks are satisfied with the service they receive. This is partly explained by free banking - Midland got a huge lift when it introduced the service in 1984."

Gordon Brown, shadow Chancellor, said: "I fear that many millions of customers are going to have to pay." Nigel Griffiths, Labour's consumer affairs spokesman, yesterday wrote to Sir Bryan Carsberg, director general of the Office of Fair Trading, about the plans to introduce charges on all current accounts that remain in credit. Mr Griffiths said: "The banks already earn interest on customers' money in current accounts which they do not pass on. These charges are there-fore hard to justify. Banks are one of the few institutions that

Analysts predict a customer revolt if free banking is abolished, write Nicholas Watt and **Kate Alderson**

can remove people's money without alerting them in advance."

Mr Reid's warnings of an exodus were underlined by customers of the leading banks in the City. Claire Gadd, an analyst program-mer, said that she knew of people who already hid their money under the mattress.

"The banks are just screwing the people who have looked after their money," she said. "Times are hard for everyone, not just the banks, and I don't see why we should pay for their problems."

Michael Bradford, a stock.

Michael Bradford, a stockbroker whose account is in credit, said that the proposal was typical of a profession that was moving further from the customer. "The bank manag-er is now an enemy and a robot and I rue the day the banks stopped being friendly to their customers. They lent unwisely in the Eighties and now the ordinary user is expected to foot the bill."

Joanne Bright, a systems analyst with an overdraft, said: "I'm working for the day when I'm not in debt, so the idea that I could be charged

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Banks are considering reintroducing the charges because a small minority of customers, who pay charges for services such as overdrafts. subsidise account holders who always remain in credit. Barclays said yesterday that as many as 80 per pent of its current account customers were being subsidised.

John Cheese, head of marketing for Barclays' personal banking division, said research showed that people were aware of how lucky they were to have free banking. "People prefer a free lunch, but they know there is no such thing," he said.

If charges were re-intro-duced, people would prefer a flat fee rather than charges on each transaction, he said. "We have found that if charges are levied, people appreciate sim-plicity and like to know what they are paying."
He dismissed Labour's

claim that the big banks had colluded in considering the re-introduction of the charges. "We have to compete with 20 major financial institutions on top of the other high street banks. The level of competi-

tion is ferocious."

Building societies would waste no time in swallowing up business from disgruntled bank customers. Paul Burgin, of Abbey National, said yesterday: "We would hope that people would come rushing to

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Gourmet's choice: Raymond Blanc heading the queue yesterday for a £1 meal at Wheatley Park comprehensive school in Oxfordshire

Blanc joins drive to boost the school meal

By Craig Seton

RAYMOND Blanc, the chefpatron of one of Britain's leading hotel restaurants, yesterday lent his name to a campaign aimed at promoting school meals and destroy-ing their image as unappetising and unhealthy

M Blane sat down for lunch with pupils at the Wheatley Park comprehensive school at Wheatley in Oxfordfordshire, only three miles from Le Manoir aux Quat' Saisons, the palace of culinary delights he runs at Great Milton. He was there at the invitation of Oxfordshire County Council which today launches a television advertising campaign with other education authorities to promote school food under the banner "schools dinners are cool dinners".

While customers at Le Manoir may well have been eating at a cost of £50 or more a head, he tucked into a meal that costs pupils about £1. He chose a lamb casserole rather than a lasagne, accompanied by sweet corn, a baked potato and salad and finished off with a connamon peasants'

pudding and custard. In the school kitchens, Mabel Giles, the school's cook chef's appraisal. Mrs Giles need not have worried. M Blanc was most complimentary, although he immediately set out the parameters of his

He said: "It would be unfair to compare this with what we serve at Le Manoir, but it is really very good. It was very simple but appetising, nicely cooked, nutritious and quite substantial. I would be happy to serve this as a staff meal at

The hi-tech home office

Firms cautious about teleworking

By Peter Victor

THE NEWS that British Telecom has struck an agreement with the Society of Telecom Executives to introduce home-working among its management staff conjours up visions of thousands of workers escaping the rigours of commuting and clocking in via a terminal on their kitchen

The dream is leant further credibility by a conference on "teleworking", to be held at Brighton Conference Centre on September 15, but the reality may still be some way off. It's not that we don't have the technology. BT has been operating a small pilot scheme in Scotland, where directory enquiry operators have been working from home and keeping in touch with office life via a video link-up with their colleagues at break times. And it may be the human factor

which has so far prevented companies taking up teleworking in a big way.

Various predictions have been made, including that 15

per cent of the British workforce, around three million people, would be teleworking by 1995. A recent survey of 250 employers, however, showed that little progress has been made since 1989. According to the CBI, there are only three companies using teleworking to any great extent; BT, Rank Xerox and IBM. IBM has 1,500 staff— 10 per cent of its UK workforce—using computer terminals at home as an adjunct to their work in the

basis. Rank Xerox appears furthest along the path. Its Networking scheme, under which staff were given new

office, but none on a full-time

contracts and work from home, has now been revised. More difficult are the organisational, structural and legal implications." Around 70 people joined the Mercury has launched a programme to alert corporations to the issues. Its personscheme, and now the company is widening it, encouraging staff to work on a network nel department is working to produce a policy for teleworking for implementabasis in a number of ways,

either as teleworkers, or as self-

managed groups at office

bases if that suits them best. tion at the end of this year. The programme will eventual-Reservations remain ly take in all 4,300 UK staff. among employers and workers. A spokesman for the CBI said: Teleworking has the Telecom companies are keen to promote teleworking because of the attendant advantage of being more effopportunites to sell equipicient. However, research ment. But they are also conshows that teleworkers miss cerned about the implications. the company of other workers. Ian Lunn, product specialist Other factors for workers are with Mercury Communica-tions' Flexible Working Prodthat they have to discipline themselves and they feel isolated because they are not in contact with the office every ucts Group, said: "We're in business to sell telecom prod-ucts but if teleworking doesn't day. They also fear that they might suffer discrimination work because of some other issues then we'll lose out. because they are not seen at Technology is an easy issue.

Strangeways staff backs bid

By RONALD FAUX

STAFF at Strangeways jail agreed yesterday to back proposals to compete with the private sector for the contract to run the prison. The decision to support a prison service management bid to run the Manchester jail pre-empts a special conference of the Prison Officer's Association which was called to discuss the proposal today.

EAR = Effective equivalent rate

Ministers made it clear last month that they hoped the prison service would submit a bid to manage Strangeways after a £63 million refurbishment programme is completed next year. The decision to privatise the jail has, however, caused difficulties for the association's executive because some members fear it will lead to job losses.

Yesterday Robin Halward, the new governor at Strangeways, said he expected that the number of inmates at the jail would in future be limited and that overcrowding, the root cause of riots which wrecked the jail two years ago, would not recur.

He promised a "positive and non-oppressive" regime for inmates and staff if the prison service bid to run the jail succeeded. His brief was to prepare a bid in competition with the private sector.

Mr Halward, 41, formerly governor at Armley prison, Leeds, said: "I would expect that the specification for Strangeways will specify the level of prisoners held. That level will not vary without agreement. I will be looking

for a ceiling on the number of prisoners, which I would expect to be non-overcrowded". He said that the detailed plans for the prison service bid were commercially confidential but that they would incorporate recommendations made in the Woolf Report on improvements needed in the

> The new governor said he was concerned at last month's declaration by Judge Tumim. chief inspector of prisons, that conditions for remand inmates at Strangeways remained unacceptably poor. "Clearly one would always prefer to get a more positive report but in the time since the riot Strangeways has not been asked to operate as a model prison," Mr Halward said.

who had prepared the meal, nervously awaited the famous

the restaurant."

M Blanc also echoed the view that school meals' officials hope will get across to parents of school pupils who take sandwiches to school or visit the local fish and chip shop rather than eat school

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Zoo panders to taste for suspense

IS SHE, or isn't she? Although it may be entering its final month. London 200 has lost none of its talent for teasing publicity, and yesterday hinted that its giant penda, Ming Ming, could be

pregnant. Given the 200's luck with pandas, she probably isn't. For years it tried to persuade Chi-Chi, the best-remembered London panda, to mate with the Soviet An-An. but with no success. Then Chi-Chi went off to Mexico and quickly fathered a cub. The zoo's chief executive

and co-holder of the world giant panda stud-book. Dr Jo Gipps, says it is all a matter of compatibility. London has simply never been lucky enough to house a pair of pandas who like each other well enough to want to perpetuate the specles. The current pair. Ming Ming from China and Bao Bao from Berlin, came to blows when first introduced. and the pregnancy — if so it proves — was induced by artificial insemination.

Nigel Hawkes reports on the pregnancy that may give new life to London zoo — if it is real

So far, the zoo is relying on behavioural changes for clues to Ming Ming's condition. Mick Carman, her keeper, says that she has recently shown some changes in her temperament. "On Saturday, for the first time since she came her in October, she came over and let me scratch her neck. Usually she is a bit of a

misery," he said yesterday. This may seem a pretty unscientific way of diagnosing a pregnancy, but pandas do not make the task easy. Urine tests can be unreliable because of the panda's ability to carry through a pseudo-pregnancy with complete conviction. The hormones increase, the female starts



Ming Ming more

building a nest, and then she

begins genital licking, the indication that a birth is imminent," Dr Gipps said. Obvious bulges are out because the baby is no bigger than a small pink rat, and has no perceptible effect on the dimensions of the mother. Nor is it certain when a panda will deliver, as the gestation period can be anything between 95 and 150 days. The earliest possible date for Ming Ming to

Monday, Mr Carman said, but it could be up to six weeks later.

"I'm not confident, but on the other hand, miracles do happen." In the wild, the breeding

of pandas is a gentle pursuit, preceded by both partners pacing about moaning. bleating and panting. At London zoo, most of the moaning, bleating and pant-ing is likely to be done by the staff, hoping that Ming Ming might yet pull off a miracle and postpone

A zoo spokeswoman said yesterday that the threat of closure had not been lifted, but that the fellows of the Zoological Society will spend the month examining proposals that have been made for keeping the zoo open before making a final decision at the end of the month. All the publicity about the zoo's future had been a help. "Attendances this summer have been fantastic," she

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Children in danger of vitamin pill overdosing

By Jeremy Laurance Health services correspondent

MOST half the parents no give their children vitafins are unaware of the pidely publicised dangers of overdosing, doctors say. Many are unable to give vitamins correctly and safely, even after receiving professional advice.

Researchers at Northwick Park Hospital, London, studed parents attending child health dinies and found that more than one in five children given vitamin pills were on the wrong dose. Only 35 per cent of parents knew when to stop supplements and 46 per cent did not realise that overdosage was potentially harmful, the researchers write in this month's Archives of Disease in

Those parents unaware of the dangers of overdosing were giving their children vitamins A or D, which can cause bone troubles in large doses. Recent publicity about vitamins improving children's intelligence makes it "especially important to make the public aware of the potentially armful effects of the nappropiate administration vitamins", the researchers

Hans Eysenck, one of the f proponents of the theory

Nurses must take bigger role'

BYALISON ROBERTS

NURSIS should take more responsibility and should concentrateon patients as individuals, the Audit Commission says in guidelines for ward sisters published today. The guidelities coincide with a report published yesterday which shows that nearly one in the Brish nurses are seriousconstiering moving abroad. the Royal College of Nurswicomed the commis-recommendations, that added responsiwould encourage more mirses to stay. Christine Hancick, general secretary, said: Too many nurses are trapped in a system of endless tasks and routines which are a hindrance, not a help, to

The commission studied 39 ards in ten NHS hospitals. n most of the sample wards. atients had little sense of personal contact with individial nurses, who were perleived as hurried and mpersonal. The handbook ays: "One nurse should have overall responsibility for the assessment of the patient's heeds, the plan of care and the implementation and evaluaion of the plan throughout the atient's stay." In more than lalf the wards studied, responsbility for clinical decisionnaking rested with "any rurse on shift".

The handbook says patients omplain that wards feel like production lines and that here is not enough assess-hent of individual needs. It alls for a change in managenent attitudes and says that jursing should be planned round the needs and preferinces of patients rather than nose of nurses and managers. The timetable of a patient's lay often indicates whether

vard routines are inflexible, it ays. Patients were allowed to wake up in their own time in only 10 per cent of the wards studied. In about 30 per cent. they were woken before 6.30 and in the remainder before 7.30. Once awake, they had to wait up to two hours for breakfast.

By KERRY GILL

SEIICHIRO Otsuka, until this sum-

mer Japan's consul-general for Scot-land, is not the first of his countrymen

to embrace Scottish culture, but he

must surely be the most enthusiastic.

with his Edinburgh futor he was

putting the finishing touches to his

"Address to a Golf Bail", a remarkably

accomplished pastiche of Robbic

Burns running to 22 lines in the "auld

It emerged yesterday that thou-

sands of Mr Otsuka's fellow Japanese

are following in his footsteps across

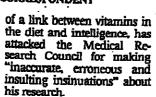
Scotland's golf courses, through ruined castles, souvenir shops, and

along the banks of Loch Ness, watch-

ing out for the monster. In doing so,

Scots tongue".

When not practising the bagpipes



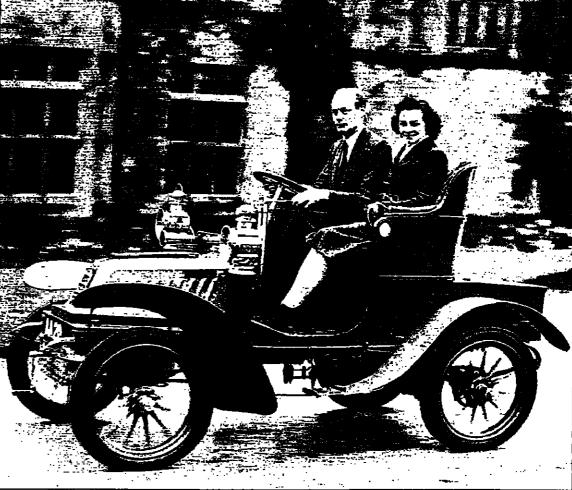
The attack will fuel the controversy over the link, which has been the subject of seven scientifically controlled studies, according to a review in the current issue of The Psychologist. Five of the studies have reported beneficial effects for vitamin supplements but two have found none. Most researchers are sceptical of the link because of lack of evidence that people eating a normal diet can benefit from extra vitamins.

In the disputed study by Professor Eysenck and col-leagues, which was also the subject of a QED programme on BBC television in Febrary last year, 400 schoolchildren were given differing amounts of vitamin supplements over 12 weeks and had their IQs tested at the beginning and end of the period. The results suggested that almost half the children were performing below par because they were getting insufficient vitamins in

Professor Eysenck concluded that "a sizable number" of schoolchildren could have their IQ raised by about 11 points through vitamin supplements. There was a rush to buy vitamins after the results of the trial, published in a little known journal, Personality and Individual Differences, were presented on QED.

The council, concerned that the public might be being misled, issued a statement warning that Professor Evsenck's claims were premature. It criticised his failure to account for the fact that some children taking a placebo showed an improvement in IO and that some taking the supplements performed worse at the end of the trial. It also questioned his failure to pub-lish the study in "a first class"





Then and now: Lord Montagu with a Rolls-Royce in his motor museum yesterday, left, and driving with a friend in a 1903 car in 1952, the year he opened the museum

Beaulieu host celebrates 40 years of friendly invasion

 the man who shocked some of his aristocratic friends by saving his inheritance from debts and disaster by allowing hoi polloi to roam over the estate which since 1538 has been the family home - was yesterday celebrating the fortieth anniversary of his

Lord Montagu, who succeeded to the Hampshire estate on his 25th birthday in 1951, admitted that in an ideal world the stately homes of England would still be private worlds enclosed by miles of brick walls and guarded by grand iron gates.

As he prepared to welcome the 20 millionth visitor to

Britain's most-visited privately owned historic house, he said: "I suppose the hardest thing to take was the invasion of privacy. But having decided to open the doors, the most important thing was to make visitors feel welcome and to provide them with an interesting experience. I believe I have achieved this. I suppose some of the older peers were Tim Jones looks back at Lord Montagu's pioneer decades in the stately home business

horrified by the need to turn our homes into businesses but to maintain Beaulieu it has all been worth it."

His great coup was to introduce in 1952, as a tribute to his motoring pioneer father, what The Times then described as "a collection of veteran motor cars and automobilia of the Edwardian period". Since then, Beaulieu's national motor museum has become worldrenowned and this year fea-tures 12 of the private vehicles which members of the royal family have owned

or used over the past 40 years. To keep the family pile, he has also organized jazz festivals there and re-established the monastic tradition of

When Beaulieu first opened, on April 8, 1952, 8,000 curious members of the

public paid in the first week one old half-crown, or 12.5p, to see how the other half lived. Visitors to Beaulieu are now charged an adult entrance fee of £6.75, although the lavatories are free. At one time, Lord Montagu considered women to be lavatory wreckers and said they should be charged 3d instead of 1d to answer the call of nature.

In spite of running the great home as a profitable venture. Lord Montagu considers the aristocratic guardians of the national treasures are still hard done by. He thinks money set aside exclusively for maintainance should be exempt from tax and that repair bills should also be free of VAT. Lord Montagu said: "Look-

ing back to 1952 is like a moment recently gone, but seeing Beaulieu as it is today I realise how much, yet how little, has changed."

Lenders 'ordered men to rob'

TWO men who owed debts to moneylenders were forced to carry out robberies to pay their debts, a court was told yesterday. They were beaten, then ordered to hold up a building society and hand the cash to the lenders.

William Mannion, 27, almost died when attackers kicked down his door and stabbed him with a bayonet after he told the lenders that he would do no more, his counsel, Alan Turnbull, told the High Court in Glasgow. Mannion, of Pollok, Glasgow, was jailed for five years after admitting robbery.

Thomas Mougan, 30, also of Pollok, was jailed for six years. The court was told that he owed £1,800 after borrowing £500 to help to care for his sick girl friend. He joined the robberies when she was threatened in hospital.

The judge, Lord Caplan, said that the accused could have gone to the police instead of agreeing to the robberies.

Crime rise strains Scots prosecutors

THE increasing level of crime in Scotland is putting strain on its prosecutors, the Scottish Crown Office and Procurator Fiscal Service admitted yesterday in their first annual report following the introduction of the government's justice

Duncan Lowe, the Crown agent, said that the service was being stretched by a growing level of serious crime and the time taken to prepare cases. The procurators fiscal prosecute in criminal cases at sheriff and district court level, and are involved in investigations for high court cases.

The report was the first to provide information relating to the Crown's performance in prosecutions in Scotland. It was drawn up as a result of the justice charter, to give the public a better understanding of the service's work.

Mr Lowe said that, in spite of rising crime, the service was managing to cope. He denied a BBC report that justice in

Glasgow was suffering because of too little interviewing by staff of witnesses in sheriff and jury cases. Only 42 cases, 15 per cent, had been dealt with by the "accelerated preparation" procedure in

Mr Lowe said that this was only a temporary measure to deal with bulges in serious criminal work during a period when the office was understaffed. It had operated with the full knowledge and consent of Lord Rodger of Earlsferry, the Lord Advocate.

Mr Lowe also denied that there had been a loss of morale within the service as a result of increased work. There had been a record number of applications during a recent recruitment drive, he said.

Targets have been set within the service for bringing all cases to court, and most of Scotland's six regional fiscals' offices met the criteria, or did so soon after guidelines were

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Palumbo applies to shut Roman street

By JOHN YOUNG

Japanese spend more than bawbees

they have become the biggest-spend-ing foreign tourists in Scotland, shell-

ing out no less than an average of £85

each a day, more than twice as much

Last year 33,000 Japanese tourists

visited Scotland, twice as many as in

1987. They spent £15 million, accord-

ing to the Scottish Tourist Board, which is making preparations for a

trade mission to Japan. The board aims to increase the number of

Japanese visitors to 100,000 by 1994.

Rhona Robertson, marketing direc-tor of the board's Japan, Pacific and

Australasian unit, said the Japanese

were intrigued by Scottish culture. The songs "Auld Lang Syne" and "Annie Laurie" — translated into

Japanese — were sung regularly at parties, and the strains of "Coming

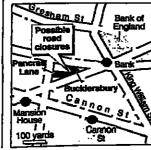
as the Americans.

the redevelopment of the Mappin & Webb site in the City of London reaches a new stage today, with the publication by the transport department of an application by Lord Palumbo, chairman of City Acre Property, for the closure of the ancient streets of Bucklersbury and Pancras

In 1982, Lord Palumbo, who is now chairman of the Arts Council, applied to redevelop the site to include a new square and an office tower designed by the late Mies van der Rohe. Planning permission and consent for demolition of the listed buildings were refused by the City corporation, whose decision was upheld by Patrick Jenkin, then environment secretary, after a

public enquiry.

Lord Palumbo tried again with a design by Sir James



THE prolonged dispute over Stirling. Planning permission the redevelopment of the was again refused, but after a further public enquiry it was approved by Nicholas Ridley, Mr Jenkin's successor. The conservation group Save Britain's Heritage (Save) applied for a judicial review, lost its case in the High Court but won it in the Court of Appeal. Lord Palumbo appealed to the House of Lords, who decided in his favour and awarded costs against Save.

The conservationists are now pinning their hopes on the likelihood of yet another public enquiry, this time into the road closure proposals.
In a booklet published to-

day, Save claims that recent excavations indicate that Buckiersbury was one of the oldest Roman roads in Britain. Jenny Freeman, author of the report and former secretary of the Victoria Society, said yesterday: "There has been continuous settlement in the neighbourhood for nearly 2,000 years, but all this will be utterly obliterated if Lord Palumbo's scheme goes ahead. Moreover, today's City workers will be grossly inconvenienced." Stop the Destruction of Bucklersbury (Save Britain's Heritage, 68 Battersea High Street, London SW11 3HX:

Carnival organisers celebrate

ORGANISERS of the Notting Hill carnival, which was this year marked by a sharp fall in reported crime and arrests, yesterday described the weekend as an unprecedented success.

A spokesman for the committee said yesterday: "Carnival has never been more successful. We would like to thank all those who attended. The spectacle and the magic have justified all our hard work."

Police expressed satisfaction with the way the carnival went too, although there were isolated outbreaks of violence as the celebration drew to a cacophonous close on Monday night. There were 75 arrests during the carnival, compared with 100 last year.

By BILL FROST

The carnival committee claimed that over a million revellers had converged on the north London streets during the two-day party. Scotland Yard suggesting that only 300,000 took part.

In Chapeltown, Leeds, police were attacked and injured by a missile-throwing crowd on Sunday night as they rescued two people in a car which had hit a group of pedestrians, injuring at least two, after a carnival.

Through The Rye" could be heard at

Japanese city centre traffic lights as an

Even though the Japanese spent an

average of only four or five days in Scotland, Ms Robertson said, they had

a voracious appetite for quality Scot-

tish goods, such as whisky, cashmere

Only about 8 per cent of Japanese

hold passports, but this figure is expected to rise considerably in the

next few years, and the Scots are determined to attract as many tourists

possible. While the Japanese were

formerly conducted on lightning tours

of European capitals, the more sophisticated travellers now shunned

the regimented package tour, prefer-

ring to spend more time in one place,

clothing, crystal and kilts.

Ms Robertson said.

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West Midlands police set up three teams

Close watch to be kept on new crime squads

WEST Midlands police have created three new units following the disbanding of their serious crime squad. Considerable emphasis is being placed on supervising memhave the task of combating serious crime, including mur-der, woundings and street The divisional crime supand Dudley, Brierley Hill and

port units will begin work next week for a trial of three months before senior officers decide whether the initiative should be expanded to cover the whole force.

Senior officers deny that the divisional units are a direct replacement for the centrallybased serious crime squad, which was disbanded in 1989 by Geoffrey Dear, then chief constable, over allegations of falsified evidence. The structure and scope of the new teams is said to be quite different, although co-ordinated intelligence-gathering about serious crime will be one of their significant functions. Each of the new units will

consist of an inspector, three sergeants and up to 23 constables based at police stations and answerable to a divisional detective chief inspector. CID and uniformed officers will be

The former serious crime quad, which specialised in

beries, had its headquarters at ham and was alleged to have body without adequate supervision. The new units are expected to be broader based and are being set up in divisions covering Coventry, Harborne, Handsworth and Ladywood in Birmingham

Phil Thomas, an assistant chief constable, said: "The effective use of intelligence will play a central role in the work of these units. This is an exciting initiative which will enhance our ability to deal with major crime."
Allegations against the for-

mer serious crime squad were investigated during å two-year police that cost £2 million. In May Barbara Mills, QC, the Director of Public Prosecutions, said that the investigation had failed to produce sufficient evidence and there would be no criminal prosecutions. Senior officers said at the time that former members of the elite detective unit might eventually join new crime-

In the months before he disbanded the squad in August 1989. Mr Dear accused it

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of being sloppy and cavalier in its work. Since the decision not any of its former members. combat serious crime in the West Midlands conurbation.

One senior officer said: "Each constable on these units will be supervised very closely by a sergeant, who in turn will inspector. They will have to come up with certain results and will be set objectives and we will be measuring how well they do. They will be made up not just of CID, but also uniformed officers. These will

The units are intended to

provide operational support to divisions on which they are based and will assess local crime trends as part of a forcework. A decision whether to establish the new units across the force area is expected to be taken in the new year. Recorded crimes in the West Midlands increased last year by more than 14 per cent to over 295,000. Murders rose by 6 per cent to 38, rapes by 27 per cent to 218, burglaries by more than 20 per cent to 84,000, and robberies and thefts from the person by 35



Jayne Torvill and Christopher Deen give a demonstration of their style to twins Louise and Jemma Etgart, 10, and Charlotte Clements and Shardi Mehraein, both 12. They had been chosen from dozens of young skaters to take part in the couple's autumn ice spectacular, which opens at Wembley, west London, on September 17 with a cast of

Rail crash report CBI attacks police clears rolling stock efficiency By Michael Dynes, transport correspondent

MECHANICAL error has

Cannon Street rail crash in the

City of London, in which two

people died and 542 were injured, the long awaited re-port by the Health and Safety Executive into the accident

will say today.
The finding leaves only human error as a possible

explanation for the accident.

But Maurice Graham, 25, the

train driver, will not face

criminal charges because Sir

Allan Green, the former director of public prosecutions, said

last year that there was insuffi-

cient evidence to secure a

Charges could not be brought against Mr Graham

because British Rail officials

failed to carry out a medical

examination immediately

after the accident on January

8, 1991. As a result, potentially vital information on the

physical condition of the driver could not be used in

evidence during last year's

THE police would lose many of their traffic and road safety duties and might no longer be used inside football grounds, according to the recommendations of a new report.

Among the traffic tasks identified yesterday as being capable of being handled more efficiently by other agencies are some traffic control functions, the provision of functions for unide leads are some traffic control functions. escorts for wide loads, police scientific support services.
Howard Davies, the director general of the Confederation of British Industry, also questioned police use at football grounds, their use to enforce speed limits, and book car parking offenders.

He said: "There is a need for

He said: "There is a need for a redefinition of what the police should be doing because the police have allowed themselves to enter into the all-purpose provision of some things they should not

challenged about their performance in detecting and solving crime, the police pointed to their pressing traffic duties, and when questioned about the relative ineffectiveness of traffic policing, pointed to their duties in relation to

victim support.

Mr Davies accused both political parties of playing a numbers game based on a head count of police officers. Fighting Leviathan: Building Social Markets that Work by Howard Davies. Published by the Social Market Foundation. Price £6.

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the poisons department at Guy's Hospital and had indi-

After the inquest BR an-nounced it would introduce routine drug and alcohol testing for applicants for safty-related jobs "as an essential first step to avoid employing people who are drug abusers" law made it mandatory for BR to carry out medical examina-

The safety executive's report

inquest into the two deaths. During the inquest Dr Alex for BR's Southern Region. said a urine sample from Mr cated "an active use of canna-bis". But it was not possible to establish whether the drug was present at the time of the

tions after all train accidents.

is expected to make 15 recommendations on issues including the age and design of the 1950s stam-door rolling stock, the use of overhead luggage racks, the speed of the train when it crashed, and how these factors contributed to the extraordinarily high number of injuries. While the train was built in the 1950s some subframes dated from the 1920s and their age and



Aftermath: removing the Cannon Street wreckage

steps into uncertain future IN THE hall of Bishop's Cleeve school, 250 11-year-Simon Tait finds

olds obediently performed the potato dance they had been taught a few minutes earlier.
"I wouldn't have thought it
was possible," said Melanie
Warnes, head of English at the comprehensive school near Cheltenham, Gloucestershire. "Every one of them is performing, they've all been

The children were taking part in the Feeder Project, a scheme run by the Everyman. Cheltenham's repertory theatre, which uses drama to help primary pupils in their transition to a secondary school.

The play, All Change, was specially written for the scheme and is performed by professional actors. It tells how London evacuee children adjusted to life in rural Gloucestershire in 1940. Racism. sexism and xenophobia are explored in a gentle narrative which has an inevitable happy ending and the children are involved both as performers and audience.

The five actors, led by director Roland Hill, give morning workshops to teach a core of children from primary and secondary schools the rudiments of the story-line, followed by an afternoon

Jane Turner, Ms Warnes's colleague, is in charge of easing the transition of children from the feeder primary schools into her 1,400-pupil school. She said: "There are so many benefits. It shows the young children that sixth formers are not frightening,

a regional theatre company struggling to save its

Everyman's potato dance

shows the value of role play. And while it breaks down barriers, it benefits English, history and drama studies." Response is not uniform. One child attended the preliminary workshop and found that his future secondary school was not taking the project, so he paid £6 to take part at another school. On the other hand, one head teacher dismissed the scheme because she feared children might be

education project

prepared to be silly, and it

cation was fun. The project faces financial problems. In 1990 it helped children from 90 primary schools but last year it was cancelled when sponsorship collapsed. It was devised by Sheila Mander, associate producer of the Everyman, who said: "I was determined not to let it die. If we had let it go another year it might not have been revivable."

encouraged to think that edu-

She hopes that this year's sponsors, Central Television and the Summerfield Trust, will continue and that more schools will join next year, but they will still have to pay. There is no local education authority money for the project, and the two comprehensive and 25 feeder schools which took the project this

year have had to find the £600 each session costs.

Bishop's Cleeve took a short version of the play, lasting the morning only, because its budget was tight and it was decided that parents already contributed a lot and should not be asked for more money. Martin Houghton, the Ev-

eryman's artistic director, said education was a fundamental part of its policy, taking the theatre into the community, and cost £80,000 of its annual budget of £1.5 million. Concessions were made for stu-dents, loss-making performances were given in village halls and the Everyman had a youth theatre which performed in a tiny studio and encouraged schools to partici-

"I think education is much, much more important to our activity," said Mr Houghton, but the gradual crosion of public subsidy is placing great-er pressure on our main house budget to maintain our commitment."

When the Everyman was reopened in 1986 after refurbishment its funding changed from the Arts Council to the regional arts council, now South West Arts. The break-down of its income is 58 per cent earned, 32 per cent from South West Arts, 7.5 per cent from the local authority and

2.5 per cent from sponsorship.
"We were underfunded by £70,000 in 1986. That has continued every year since, and it is exactly the amount of our rolling deficit, but if we have that debt called in, the Feeder Project could disappear," said Mr Houghton.

Charities fear loss to lottery

Ulster charities feat that the proposed UK national lottery could cost them millions in lost donations. Geraldize Scullion of the Northern Ireland Council for Voluntary Action, the umbrella body for the prov-ince's charities, said "It could drain £8.5 million rom local

Publishing a report on the mplications of the littery, she shows that charities stand to lose more than theywill gain from the national lettery, unless significant changes are made to the white paper." The report said Northern Ireland charities could not afford the loss of revenue and called on Ulster ministers to support them in negotiations with David Mellor, national heri-tage secretary, who is han-dling the lottery legislation.

Recommendations include ensuring all money raised through the lottery is Northern Ireland should be distributed in the province and that legislation governing charities' own lotteries be amended to "create a level playing-field", the report said.

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Cash bag swap foils thief

A couple foiled a robber by swapping a bag full of cash for their hunch. The couple, in their fifties, were about to bank money in Thaxted, Issex, when they noticed a suspicious-looking man in a car. They quickly exchanged the money in their bag for their lunch and a newspaper.

As as they walked past the parked car the man jumped

beauty made, and out and grabbed the bag. Police are questioning a men.

Fire at studio

Three special-effects worlers at Pinewood film studios at Iver, Buckinghamshire, were injured yesterday when an in-explained blast crupted from a keg of titanium metal powler, used in making fireworks and other pyrotechnic products

Plane alert

More than 270 passengers were evacuated from an Aer Lingus jumbo jet at Shanma airport after a bang and smoke were reported on he

Slapping fight

A campaign to end physical punishment of children is o be launched worldwide this week with the backing of E> och (End Physical Punisiment of Children), a Londorbased welfare organisation.

Bird killed

Ivan Pope, 29, who sacrificel a chicken by hitting it with a wooden mallet in a pagar temple he built at his home a Chichester, West Sussex, was given a conditional discharge by Chichester magistrate: after being found guilty of cruelly terrifying the chicken.

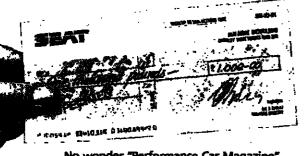
Cows lit up

Farmers at Minchinhampton Common, Gloucestershire. bave fitted fluorescent collars to cows after a number of the animals were run down by cars at night.

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Maastricht support gathers pace

No' campaign rejects prophecy of doom

foreign minister, said yes-terday: "Europe is up against

the wall. If by misfortune

France does not ratify the treaty of Maastricht. Europe-an construction will fall

In his televised debate with

M Seguin today, M Mitter-rand is expected to paint a

loftier version of the tandem

image, reminding his country

of four glorious decades of

European achievement from

the days of de Gaulle and

Adenauer through to the Mit-

terrand-Kohl duo. The Ger-

man chancellor, unlike John

Major, will be making a

cameo appearance in support

of the French president. Two

heavyweights on the right. Raymond Barre, the former prime minister and Jean-

François Poncet, a former

foreign minister, yesterday

George Brock, page 11 Diary, page 11 Dollar weak, page 15

lent their weight to the catas

trophe scenario.

WITH the "yes" campaign for Maastricht gaining momendum in France, opponents of the government of trying to spare the electorate into appropriate in the proving it with unjustifiable predictions of disaster.

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Both conservative and leftwing politicians spoke out against the recent main theme of the Mitterrand administration and leaders of the centreright opposition: that failure to ratify Maastricht would effectwely bring down France and destroy the European Community. The argument has drawn heavily on images of renewed German militarism should a "no" vote force the "Franco-German couple" to

"They're telling us a 'no' will lead to a frightful catastro-phe," Jean-Pierre Chevenleader of the anti-Maastricht faction in the government's own Socialist party, said. This, he said, was as groundless as the alarmist talk in 1969 (when de Gaulle put his fortunes on the line in a referendum, which he lost) and 1981 (when the establishment gave warning of dire consequences should François Mitterrand be elected to the

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presidency). Max Gallo, another Socialist dissident, accused the government of verbal terrorism. Jean François Deniau, a former minister under Valery Giscard D'Estaing and a veteran of Community affairs. Refusing Maastricht will not mean breaking Europe. This verbal violence is inadmissible."

The consequences of a "no" vote is emerging as the crucial issue as both sides seek to win over the 40 per cent of voters who are telling opinion pollsters that they are still undecided. This stems from the fact that a great majority of the French strongly support the EC and cannot imagine France going it alone. Only the extreme right National Front wants France to with-



Opponents from the main-stream opposition, such as Philippe Seguin, the Gaullist baron, and dissidents on the left have been scoring heavy points by calling for a "pro-European 'no" against what they see as a flawed treaty which would open the way to renegotiation. a healthier Community and, ultimately, would support the Franco-German partnership. Specifi-cally, they reject the old tandem image, cherished by the government, which holds that if the momentum towards integration is broken, the Franco-German cyclists will

come crashing to the ground. The idea of an innocuous "constructive non" is especially attractive to those who see the referendum as a means of demonstrating their dislike of M Mitterrand and his government and even of removing them from office. The less educated may be happy to tell pollsters they have had enough of foreigners but, in more elevated circles, the constructive "no" is the only acceptable way of justifying a negative vote.

The attraction of the constructive "no" has sent M Mitterrand's ministers and allies far into the realm of hyperbole in an effort to convince voters that, without Maastricht, France will be relegated to the dustbin of history. Pierre Bérégovoy, the prime minister, is talking of immediate financial crisis and eventually a German march to

In more diplomatic lan-guage, Roland Dumas, the



Clowning glory: Oleg Popov. 64. the Russian clown, embracing his bride, Gabrielle Lehman, 30, a German circus artiste, in Breda, The Netherlands

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Dissident presses for bar on Iliescu

dent of the communist era. Doina Cornea, urged electoral authorities to bar President Hieseu from running for a

"Ion Iliescu is not up to his present function of president of this country," she said in a letter addressed to the central electoral office and published by the independent daily newspaper, Romania Libera. Miss Cornea, 62, one of few dissidents who dared to speak out against communist rule under the late Stalinist dictator Nicolae Ceausescu, urged the authorities to cancel Mr Iliescu's candidacy in the September 27 presidential

"His actions showed incompetence and bad will and caused violence, illegal arrests and victims among innocent citizens," she said, citing the violence of June 1990 when 20,000 coalminers, summoned to Bucharest by Mr Iliescu, crushed an anti-government protest.

President Cesar Gaviria of Colombia said that he and

jailbreak of the drug baron. Pablo Escobar, but said he would maintain his policy of encouraging drug traffickers to surrender in exchange for reduced sentences for crimes to which they confess.

China's southern special economic zone of Zhuhai, one of the frontrunners of Deng Xiaoping's programme of capitalist reform, will hold a party to honour the 88-yearold senior leader, an official newspaper said in Peking.

German prosecutors said they would decide tomorrov whether to keep Erich Honecker, 80, the former East German leader, in custody or release him on health grounds.

Michael Ritchie and Dennis Hopper will replace fellow American director Peter Bogdanovich on the jury for the Venice Film Festival after he withdrew from the panel citing conflicts with his work schedule.

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King of gypsies loses his crown

Republican sentiment has robbed the Romany community of its leader, Roger Boyes writes

No royal family, it seems, is safe in these most republican of times. Now it is the turn of the Great Bulibasha, the king of East Europe's gypsies who has been stripped of his golden crown.

The communique from Romania's constitutional court was crisp and to the point: "The self-nomination of Mr Ion Cioaba, resident at 46 Alba Iulia Street, Sibru. to be King of the Romanies in Romania and the whole world is deemed to be against the constitution.

Mr Cioaba, a plump man in his mid-50s, has been regarded as Romania's gypsy chief for years. According to the official census there are 409,000 gypsies in Romania but unofficial estimates are pitched as high as 2 million.

Since Romania has the largest gypsy community of any country, whoever rules it is regarded as the most powerful figure in the gypsy world. There are said to be about 5 million gypsies in Eastern Europe, making up half of the world's total. Mr Cioaba, known as the Great Bulibasha, is thus somebody to be reckoned with. After the overthrow of

Nicolae Ceausescu, the communist dictator, Romania's gypsies became more politically assertive and were allowed to organize their own parties and own their own newspapers. Last autumn Mr Čioaba took the next logical step and arranged for his coronation with a gold crown weighing

over 13 lb. The United Nations. meanwhile, chose Mr Cioaha to be the spokesman for gypsy interests throughout the European and American continents. Great Bulibasha proved his worth by immediately lobbying Bonn for compensation for the 35,000 Romanies killed in the second world war in German concentration camps in the Ukraine and

the Trans-dniester. If Bonn did not pay up.



Cioaba: no more the Great Bulibasha

he threatened, a million gypsies would slip into Germany and put their case

Mr Cioaba knows well the secret gypsy routes from East to West. According to one story, he applied to the Ceausescu regime to attend an international gypsy congress.

s usual the request was A not approved until six months after the congress had taken place. "It's okay." Mr Cioaba is supposed to have told a hapless clerk. "I don't need the passport - I went anyway." European borders are very porous for the likes of Mr Cioaba

The gypsy king has been making demands of the Ceausescu government: distribution of camping sites, land ownership rights, more training and jobs for the Romany community. But there are many competing gypsy groups six separate gypsy parties are contesting the parliamentary elections later this month - and not all of them approve of Mr Cioaba's autocratic rule.

They thus lodged a complaint about Mr Cioaba's coronation with the constitutional court. The Romanian leadership, already paranoid about the return of the country's King Michael, was only too happy to rule against the Great

Arab states and Iran move closer to jihad in the Balkans



Fahd: he has donated more than £4 million

apparent helplessness of its army are fuelling the anger of Arab states and Iran and driving the Islamic world

closer to declaring a jihad (holy war) in the Balkans.

All the pent-up tension between Islam and the Christian West seems now to be concentrating on the Bosnian war. Graphic accounts of the rape of Muslim women that have been circulating around Middle Eastern embassies and information ministries are partly to blame. Part to blame, too, is the bombardment of mosques, while frustration with Western reluctance to commit a large military force to the region is also a factor.

The commentator of Al-Riad, a Saudi Arabian newspaper, described the Bosnian fighting as a "prelude to the war between Islam and the West". Both Al-Riad, and Al-

Pent-up tension between Islam and the Christian West seems now to be concentrated on the Bosnian war, Roger Boyes, East Europe correspondent, writes. Frustration with Western reluctance to intervene militarily has been exacerbated by graphic accounts of Muslim women being raped and mosques destroyed

Jaum, another Saudi paper, called on Muslims to declare

a jihad to "save Islam". The initial Middle Eastern response to the war was to offer large donations to help the Bosnian Muslim refugees. King Fahd, the Saudi ruler, has given \$8 million (£4.03 million) of his personal fortune and a further \$37 million has been collected in his country. Shaikh Jaber Ahmed al-Sabah, the emir of Kuwait, has donated \$3 million and Pakistan has offered a \$10 million loan.

But the line between Islamic humanitarian gifts and military aid has become fuzzy since June. Islamic teams are delivering medical supplies

directly to Bosnian troops. Since the London conference, and the obvious reluctance of the West to send in troops, the Middle Eastern states have become even more inclined to include military equipment in their aid shipments.

Stem, the Hamburg maga-zine, recently quoted the Muslim mayor of Konjic, a town near Sarajevo, as saying that Bosnian government forces had received large deliveries of arms from Islamic countries. Rusmir Hadzihusejnovic told the magazine: Two weeks ago we received the first weapon deliveries, 32 lorries full, and in recent days another 60 trucks have arrived in Konjic." He said the

munitions, including rifles and anti-aircraft rockets, were taken through mountain roads from the Croatian ports of Split and Rijeka. Croatia authorities have not denied that such shipments are being

The battle for Islamic influence in the Balkans has been apparent for more than a year. After centuries of Ottoman rule, the Turks know the region better than any Middle Eastern state and probably better than any European. Moreover, two million people of Bosnian Muslim origin live in Turkey, which has tended to make Ankara comparatively cautious about an all-out military intervention that

Furkey believes, however, that their is a need to act quickly to stop the spread of war to other Muslim regions, notably Kosovo, and to contain the ambitions of Iran, which has earmarked \$10 billion for new arms procurement between 1990 and 1994.

But apart from this jostling for position, there is a genuine emotional commitment to Bosnian Muslims, stoked up the state-controlled media of the Middle East. There is surely no mosque in the Gulf that has not been drumming up donations for the Bosnian

The justification for this involvement comes out in a historically mangled form. Al-Hajat, the London-based newspaper that is close to the Saudi royal family, said recently that Bosnia risked becoming the new Palestine,

would suddenly pit Islam said Hasiz al-Sheich, a Bah-against the Christian West. rain commentator, argues that the West is ignoring Bosnia in much the same way that it ignored the Holocaust. Guilt about this neglect subsequently led to five decades of pro-Israeli bias and "Jewish blackmail", he said

There are some oddities in this enthusiastic involvement. The first is that Bosnian Muslims are certainly not the most devout of the faithful in Europe. Their conversion more than 500 years ago was pragmatic: Bosnian landowners could keep their estates under the Ottomans if they swore allegiance to Islam.

The other strange element in the loud Arab press cam-paign for a jihad is that the Arab media are by and large ignoring the disaster in Somalia, an almost entirely Muslim country and a member of the Arab League. Yemen, one of the poorest

country to take in large numbers of Somali refugees, and there are even reports that the Saudi authorities have been turning away boatloads of

The conclusion must be that more than Islamic solidarity or straightforward human sympathy is involved the Middle East states want to retain an Islamic foothold in the new ordering of Europe and seem, in pursuit of this aim, to be ready to fund a war. Whether they fully understand this war, or the Bosnians, is another matter.

For Muslims it is a cause, a just cause, that has arrived at strategically appropriate moment. Europe is being shaped and it is important for the Middle Eastern states to show that Muslims have a place on the continent, too.

Waiting for winter, page 1

Shevardnadze condemns attack on unit

FROM BRUCE CLARK IN MOSCOW

PROSPECTS for an early end to bloodshed on the Black Sea. coast of Georgia darkened yesterday after the republic's leader, Eduard Shevardnadze, accused Russian forces of firing on his troops and questioned the value of peace talks set for tomorrow.

Mr Shevardnadze said he had telephoned President Yeltsin to complain that Russian troops attacked a Georgian unit with missiles while it . crossed a river north of Sukhumi, capital of the ethnic war zone of Abkhazia. Several men of the Georgian army, whose battle against ethnic Abkhazian separatists has already cost at least 150 lives, were killed in the encounter.

The former Soviet foreign minister said he was sceptical of Mr Yeltsin's insistence that no orders to open fire had been issued to the Russian forces. "We have information that there was such an order. If this information is con-



Tajikistan rebels hold ministers

By Bruce Clark

TAJIKISTAN, the former Soviet republic, moved a step closer to violent disintegration vesterday after militant opposition supporters seized control of the presidential palace from Rakhmon Nabiyev, the hard-line communist leader.

The northern region of Leninabad, a stronghold of support for Mr Nabiyev, immsecede from the republic.

The Russian garrison in Tajikistan, which accuses the opposition of making com-mon cause with armed bands in northern Afghanistan, in-sisted that Mr Nabiyev was still in office and working from another building. The military denied allegations from the opposition, which includes secular reformers and Muslim clerics, that it was

sheltering the president.
The armed raiders who seized the presidential palace took hostage several members of the government, including the deputy prime minister and the mayor of Dushanbe. They demanded an end to violence by government supporters in two regions of Tajikistan — the Kurgan-Tyube and Kulyab areas — where clashes between political factions have threatened to degenerate into

Afghan-style anarchy. The new outbreak of violence in Tajikistan marks a breakdown of a delicately engineered compromise deal struck last May under which Mr Nabiyev was allowed to remain in power but had to concede several key posts to opposition supporters. Since then, both political camps have fragmented, with Mr Nabiyev under fire from politicians even more hardline than himself and the opposition

firmed, then the meeting on September 3 makes no sense," said Mr Shevardnadze, who had been invited to Moscow

He said Russian and Georgian officers were investigat-Russian defence ministry stated indignantly that its troops in Abkhazia, a resort area of northwest Georgia where separatist leaders in effect declared independence in July, were scrupulously observing

The ministry said Moscow's forces were simply protecting their own barracks and other military facilities such as an army laboratory in Sukhumi, where guards had refrained from retaliating in the face of repeated Georgian shelling. It was from this laboratory that the Russians were accused of firing by Gia Karkarashvili, local Georgian

Russia's military units in Transcaucasia, which have dwindled through withdrawals and desertion to a fraction of their nominal strength of 500,000, have made a bewildering variety of deals with local politicians, with or with-out the blessing of Moscow.

The prospect of Russian troops openly supporting the Abkhazian community will stir bitter memories among Georgians. They suspect Moscow of having egged on the Ossetians, another separatist minority, in a two-year racial war which only recently

Mr Shevardnadze enjoys good relations with Russian commanders in Tbilisi and has procured from them sub-stantial amounts of heavy weaponry to help him in his battles against ethnic separatists and supporters of his ousted rival, Zviad Gamsakhurdia. But Russian commanders in Sukhumi, as well as President Yeltsin himself, may have been influenced by pro-Abkhazian sentiment among hardline politicians in Moscow and by the Muslim peoples of the northern Caucasus who have sent thousands of volunteers to fight in Georgia.

Leading article, page 11 by helicopter to Prague.



Sailing to safety: holidaymakers from former Soviet republics boarding a ship at Suchumi to flee rising violence in Georgian Abkhasia ...

Police sift wreckage after car crash leaves Dubcek injured

FROM GERARD DAVIES IN PRAGUE

ALEXANDER Dubcek, the hero of the 1968 Prague Spring, was seriously injured his BMW left the road, rolled over, and plunged into a ravine. Mr Dubcek, 70, a Slovak, broke his spine, pelvis

and ribs, surgeons said. The accident threatens to remove Mr Dubcek from politics at a critical time, as the country approaches an official split into two independent states on January 1. Mr Dubcek, the leader of Slovakia's Social Democratic party, has been widely tipped to stand for the new post of

Slovak president. The crash happened in wet conditions near the town of Humpolec, 60 miles southeast of Prague, at about 9.30am. Mr Dubeck was to hospital in Jihiava, southern Moravia, and later lifted, still conscious,

It is the third car crash of a senior Czechoslovak official in the past year. None has been explained satisfactorily, and police were yesterday hunting through the wreckage for

Irena Varkolerova, a police spokeswoman, said: "A full investigation is proceeding under the local traffic police, but we cannot be sure what happened until we have spoken to the driver."

Mr Dubcek, a shy politician, came to symbolize in the West the efforts of a small country to resist political pres-sure and military intervention. After the 1968 Soviet-led invasion, which crushed his "socialism with a human face", he was ousted as leader of the Czechoslovak Communist party, flown to Moscow in chains, and sent to work in the forests of Slovakia. He was stripped of his party membership, and

became a "non-person". In Czechoslovakia's "velvet revolution" of 1989, he was brought on to a balcony overlooking Prague's Wences-las Square, and cheered by thousands of demonstrators. He returned to politics as chairman of the federal parliament, overseeing the transi-

tion to democracy.

Mr Dubcek is still immensely popular and influential at home, and enjoys high international prestige. Many, how-ever, have called for his retirement, accusing him of failing to stand up to Moscow 24 years ago.

Mr Dubcek was again cast in the role of saviour, as Czechoslovakia reached the brink of disintegration this summer. He lought to save the 74-year-old federation, but last week the largest Czech and Slovak parties failed to agree on a common future.

Phone bills to snare Italy's tax dodgers

FROM PHILIP WILLAN IN ROME

ITALIAN tax authorities are planning to use telephone bills as an indication of income in an attempt to catch some of the country's many tax

The tax authorities have long used the possession of certain luxury goods to estimate the incomes of citizens suspected of making dishonest returns. The extent of the country's public deficit has led them to update the list, adding the possession of caravans, fishing rights, powerful motor cycles and private aeroplanes

to previous indicators of In 1991, tax inspectors detected 600,000 inaccurate tax declarations, 89 per cent of the cases examined. These inaccurate declarations were estimated to have cost the nation more than £15 billion in lost revenue. Not all that sum will

government coffers, as much of it is dissipated in costly and protracted lingation.

A series of complex calculations is used to produce a figure for the expected annual income of the owners of particular luxury items, according to a system known here as the "income-ometer". In the case of telephones, for example, the authorities take the total bills for one year, subtract £600, and multiply the remaining figure by 10. The resulting figure is the amount of income the taxmen would expect the

telephone owner to declare. Not everyone is convinced of the system's efficacy. "It's like trying to calculate how much someone has eaten by measuring the circumference of his belly," said Bruno Visentini, a former finance minister. Other critics say the only luxury item still missing from the list

the shops," said Natasha, sporting pink bunches and an

earnest gaze. "He's a bad

man because he killed the Tsar," enjoined another.

One youngster attempted

the rearguard defence that

Lenin wasn't all bad, to

universal scorn. Why did he

still think Lenin was good? asked the teacher. The boy

squirmed as he tried to recall

the half-digested lessons of yesteryear. Because he com-

manded our brave troops and

beat the Germans," he said, neatly conflating the two

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Paper tells of plot to kill Yeltsin

Moscow: The KGB tried to kill Boris Yeltsin while he was on a trip to Tajikistan as then-chairman of the Soviet construction industry, the Kom-somolskaya Pravda newspaper reported.

According to the report, Vladimir Kryuchkov, the former head of the KGB who is in jail awaiting trial for his alleged role in the 1991 coup attempt, ordered the head of Tajikstan's KGB to have Yeltsin killed. Kryuchkov was then a senior KGB officer.

The murder was supposed to have taken place when Yeltsin was visiting the central Asian state's Sangtudinskaya hydropower station, which he was inspecting in his capacity as Soviet construction chief. Yeltsin was named construction chief in April 1985, a few weeks after Mikhail Gorbachev became head of the Communist party. The newspaper said the attack failed because the KGB officer who was meant to shoot Yeltsin refused to carry out the order. The officer was put in jail. where he remains to this day.

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Troops trained

Bonn: Germany is preparing four army battalions to take part in United Nations peace-keeping missions by 1994. Volker Rübe, the defence minister, said. German officers were being trained in countries with experience of UN operations.

Activist held

Peking: Shen Tong, a student leader who fled to the United States after the army crackdown of pro-democracy protests in 1989 and returned a month ago, was arrested after hiring activists to set up a branch of his US-based Democracy for China Fund.

Navy mustered

Hong Kong: Hong Kong has mustered British Royal Navy vessels to protect the colony's waters from incursions by Chinese security forces after raids on two Vietnam-bound ships, Ian Strachan, the acting secre-tary for security, said. (Reuter)

Visit planned

Peking: President Yeltsin is expected to visit China in December. It will be the first official meeting between the man who buried Soviet commu-nism and the Marxists who ordered the repression of China's pro-democracy move-

ment in 1989. (Reuter) Raiders return

Phnom Penh: An anti-Vietnamese insurgent force of some 400 tribesmen, lost for years in the mountains of northeast Cambodia after the CIA abandoned it, has sought refugee status in a meeting with United Nations peacekeepers. (Reuter)

Election stands Colombo: Sri Lanka's su-

preme court dismissed a petition challenging the election of President Premadasa in 1988. The petition was filed by Sirima Bandaranaike, who contested the post. People set off firecrackers here to greet the decision.

Marxist freed

Manila: The Philippines conditionally freed Satur Ocampo, the Marxist guerrilla leader, three years after his arrest, while a bill legalising the communist party was approved in moves towards ending a 23-year communist in-

Roses for teacher as Moscow school goes private

GIRLS wore the traditionally outsize Russian rosettes in their hair, boys had been brushed, polished and scold-ed into stiff, if temporary, good behaviour. The odd Young Pioneers' blue and uniform could be glimpsed among the mufti and every seven-year-old was weighed down with a bunch of gladioli or roses to present to the teacher.

Starting school in Russia has always been a big event in the family calendar. On the first morning of the new term. parents don their Sunday best and attend a long lecture on the importance of performance and application. The speeches used to be laced with heavy dollops of Marx-ist-Leninism, but this time Vladimir Khorovev, head of School Number 314, restricted himself to the unideologi-cal wish that the sun should shine on everyone during

their school years. If the new starters looked a trifle smarter and the teachers more cheerful than the national norm, it was little wonder. For this is the first Anne McElvoy visits one of the first private schools in Russia on the opening day of its first term

private school in Moscow with parents paying 10,000 roubles - the equivalent of two months workers' salary to send their children here.

Mr Khorovev has promised excellence in teaching, high standards of discipline and that every child will have good enough grades to enter higher education on leaving. It is a far cry form the old forced egalitarianism and giorification of manual labour of Soviet days. The teachers have rewritten

many of the textbooks themselves and are highly motivat-ed, not least because they earn twice the national average. They find it hard to grasp questions about the rightness of private schooling alongside the state system. In Russia nowadays, everything has its price and it seems perfectly natural that a better educa-tion can be secured with

money. There is a miniature generation gap between children of the Soviet days and their younger school-mates. The 9- and 10-yearolds in Class 5 have seen their world change about them and have vague memories of a different culture to pass on to their own offspring. Bare nails in the classroom

walls betray where pictures of Marx and Lenin used to hang Mrs Sashkova, who teaches maths, has briskly depoliticised her four walls by repacing the old portraits with Archimedes and Nikolai Laborchevsky, the Russian mathematician of the 19th

century who proved that parallel lines never converge. Gone are the outsize photographs of Soviet sportsmen vaulting to world promithe children in Class Five obediently put up their hands nence. The obsession with sport remains, but a picture of Mickey Mouse in an and wait to be asked to speak before leaping to their feet.



Rival heroes: Soviet spaceman Yuri Gagarin must take second place these days to Donald Duck

Adidas T-shirt invites the children to the gym chib rather than a real life role model. Heroes are hard to find in the new Russia. Idols have crashed without substitutes being found to replace them in the minds of children, teachers and parents. Asked who their heroes are,

are the favourites. The cosmonaut Yuri Gagarin, until recently the ubiqui-

tous Soviet role model is dismissed. "He wasn't a hero. He was just first into space. Anyone could have done that," said one boy.

And what of Lenin? The class breaks into a babble of second-hand fury. "It's his fault that there is nothing in

great mythologies of Soviet life into one. Sherlock Holmes, Donald Duck, Tarzan and Bruce Lee

when they grew up? There was the usual clutch of wouldbe teachers and doctors and two hopeful millionaires but barely a budding engineer in sight. Oleg wanted to be a pilot. "Wouldn't it be more exciting to be a cosmonaut?" asked Mrs Sashkova. Oleg shook his head fiercely and said that he didn't want to fly to the moon, just to America.

Anne McElvoy is The Times new bureau chief in Moscow. Tehran anne ve strategic islamed

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Russian ships head for Gulf patrol as Shias stir rebellion

By Michael Evans in London and Christopher Walker in nicosia

TWO Russian warships are to be sent to the Gulf as a contribution to the international effort to tighten sanctions against Iraq. It is the first time Moscow has offered ships to enforce maritime made curbs under United Nations resolution 687.

AY STEELING

The anti-submarine ship Admiral Vinogradov and the tanker Boris Butoma are expected to sail within the next ten days. Valeri Novikov. the Russian navy spokesman, said. The deployment of the warships could signal a change in Russia's policy towards Iraq. Moscow backed the coalition during last year's Gulf war but refused to take part in armed conflict against Iraq, its longtime ally. Two Russian warships also pa-nolled the Gulf before the war but did not join the other vessels enforcing the UN arms

IRAN has, in effect, annexed

the small but strategic Gulf

island of Abu Musa, which it

has controlled jointly with the

United Arab Emirates in a

British-brokered agreement dating from 1971.

Arab and Western diplo-

mats see the move as "salami

diplomacy" designed to take advantage of the West's atten-

tion on Iraq. Tehran is treat-ing the island as purely

Iranian territory, refusing to

talk about anything unless its

The windswept island, home to about 700 Emirates

citizens and close to the main

tanker channel through the

Gulf, is the largest of three

belonging to the Emirates

occupied by Iranian troops in

1971. The two others, known

as Large Tunb and Small

Tunb, are believed to be

An agreement was ar-

Hirsel then British foreign

secretary, between the newly

formed government of the

Emirates and the Shah of

ship of the island, at that time

home to about 50 Arab fishing

families. Since April, tension

has increased in the southern

Gulf and fears have been

raised about Iran's other

claims on pieces of territory on

the Arabian side. Reports of

an Iranian military build-up

on the island and the installa-

tion of missile batteries are

The dispute came to a head

last week when Iranian police

officers turned back a passen-

ger ferry from Abu Musa,

having held it in port for three

days. That was the first inter-

ference with civilian traffic

there since the 1971 pact. Iran

said Sharjans resident in Abu

Musa were free to come and go as they wished, but others

Tehran declared that be-

cause the island belonged to

the Iranians, the Iranian gov-

ernment had every right to

control the entry of foreigners.

This is creeping annexation,"

a Western diplomat said. "It

looks as though it is entering

The dispute resurfaced in

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embargo. The announcement coincided with renewed efforts to stir an anti-government rebellion in the Shia-Muslimdominated south of Iraq to capitalise on the new aerial exclusion zone imposed by the allies on all Iraqi flights below the 32nd parallel.

Two leading Syrian-based Iraqi opposition groups called on Iraqi exiles to return to the area under the allied umbrella and on Iraqi officials and members of the armed forces to cross over and join a new rebellion aimed at toppling President Saddam Hussein.

The Russian announce-ment will provide a political boost for the Americans who have a strong naval force in the Gulf and for President Bush who has sought broad international support in the latest confrontation with Iraq. Both ships belong to the

who had previously dealt only with Iranian residents of the

island, started checking identi-

ty cards of the rest and

insisting that all should obey

Iranian laws. The staunchly pro-Western Emirates govern-

ment alerted the five perma-

nent members of the UN

Security Council when the Iranian police deported for-

eign workers who operated the

Subsequent talks in Tehran

power station, police post and

failed to bring about a sol-ution, undermining efforts by

Iran to improve ties with the

six-nation Gulf Co-operation

Council that links the Emir-

ates with Saudi Arabia, Bah-

rain. Kuwait, Qatar and

Oman. Yesterday, Seif al-

Maskari, the council assistant

secretary-general, said: "Such irresponsible behaviour is like-

ly to reflect itself very negative-

ly on council-Iran ties and

create an atmosphere of lack

The island's strategic impor-

tance has increased because of

its position at the heart of the Gulf oilfield. During the eight-year Iran-Iraq war, the

Iranians used Abu Musa as a base for speedboat attacks on

shipping and oil installations.

Western military experts in the

Middle East are deeply con-

cerned that if Iran is permitted

to swallow Abu Musa, it may

not be long before its appetite

is switched to other chunks of

Nicosia: Iran's foreign min-

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guerrillas across its border, it

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Tehran annexes

strategic island

By Christopher Walker

Russian Pacific Fleet, based in the Far East, and were chosen for the mission because the fleet had "extensive experience of operations in the Gulf region over past years", Mr

essels will be the first movement of Russian ships outside period. There are no Russian naval ships in the Indian Ocean or the Mediterranean. Tass quoted Colonel-General Viktor Dubynin, chief of staff of Russia's armed forces, as saying that the ships would take part in the mission of the international peacekeeping force" under the UN Security Council resolution on Iraq. They will take two weeks to reach the Gulf.

A UN spokesman said there was no programme of sanctions enforcement, but member states were authorised under the resolution to take whatever action they felt was necessary to stop sanctions breaches. Since the Gulf war, the Iraqi port of Basra has been out of action and there have been no ship movements in the Shatt-al-Arab waterway. However, American and British warships have been monitoring the Gulf to prevent illegal shipments of goods to Iraq. The Royal Navy's contribution consists of two warships, HMS Edinburgh and HMS Chatham, and a Royal Fleet Auxiliary support vessel,

Last year's bloody uprising in southern Iraq was defeated by troops and security police loyal to Saddam, while allied soldiers looked on powerless to intervene because at that time American policy was not to risk the establishment of a Shia-dominated state allied to

The Damascus headquarters of the Islamic Action Organisation and the Dawa Group, both of which took part in last year's abortive revolt, called on Iraq's opposition factions to form a joint front to fill the political void that Saddam's overthrow would cause.

The co-ordinated calls reflected strong hopes among the Western allies that the strict flight ban would encourage disaffected members of the Iraqi armed forces to Iraqi armed forces to defect in large numbers to areas under the allied umbrella and help to fuel a coup againt Saddam.

Before the ban came into effect last week, helicopters were often used by his security network to stifle military discontent - believed to be widespread — by flying to units where loyalists reported it rife and taking away suspected ringleaders for torture and execution.

The Islamic Action Organisation said that it backed the creation of a safe haven in the South similar to that created for Kurds in the North, providing it did not lead to the partitioning of Iraq, the main fear among most Arab

governments.

Patrol plane: Six European aircraft makers yesterday announced that they would develop a maritime patrol aircraft for the next century. British Aerospace, Alenia of Italy, Casa of Spain, Dassault Aviation of France, Deutsche Aerospace of Germany, and Fokker of The Netherlands was reported yesterday. The allegations were denied. (AP) have created the "Europatrol" group, a joint statement said.



tions can be circumvented,

negotiators are hopeful that

talks can take place in the

remaining three weeks of dia-

logue, where the Israelis and

Palestinians are likely to break

down their delegations into

sub-committees in an attempt

to deal with each problem

seperately. The Israeli delega-

tion to the talks will report to

Mr Rabin on Friday.
The negotiators who will

return with the most to say are

likely to be the team negotiat-ing with Syria; the talks so far

have been characterised by

optimistic comments from

both sides on how to resolve

the future of the Golan

Heights, captured by Israel in

1967, which Damascus wants

back in exchange for peace.

● Damascus: Syria's Jews

have begun to leave the coun-

try in the wake of the easing of

travel restrictions. The com-

munity has declined by nearly

a quarter in the four months

since President Assad, appar-

ently at the behest of President

Bush, decided to allow Syrian

links with Syria date back to

biblical times, is mainly elder-

ly. Ibrahim Hamra, the head

of the 2,900 Jews still living in

the country, is delighted that

his community is free to travel and its members are treated

"just like other Syrians". Until

April, Jews were barred from

travelling abroad as families.

Mr Hamra said that most of

the 850 Jews who had left

since then had gone to

Syria limits travel allow-

ances to £1,000. Asked what

happened to the assets of Jews

who left, he said those who

departed "were not emigrat-

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Rabin ready to drop plan for Palestinian elections

From Richard Beeston in Jerusalem

ISRAEL is considering dropping its proposal to hold Palestinian elections in the occupied territories in an effort to bypass a deadlocked issue at the peace negotiations in

Although until now the prospect of elections being held in the occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip had been a central pillar of Israel's strategy at the talks, Yitzhak Rabin, the Israeli prime minister, suggested on Monday that he would be prepared to deal with an appointed Palestinian leadership just as well as an elected one.

"Israel has no intention of imposing elections on the Palestinians and if the efforts to hold elections encounter difficulties, Israel will propose discussing an autonomy coun-cil manned without polls," Mr Rabin said during a meeting with Emilio Colombo, the visiting Italian foreign minister. The remarks appeared to be an attempt to find a solution to the stalemate in Washington, where Israel proposed last week that elections should be held for an administrative council in the occupied territories, an offer rejected by Palestinians who demanded

an elected legislative assembly. The argument led to a bitter exchange of words over the weekend and threatened to bog down the month-long negotiations. Israel accused the Palestinians of trying to create a state in the occupied territories, while Haidar Abdel-Shafi, the leader of the Palestinian delegation, retorted on Monday that the Israeli plans would leave Palestinians

employees of an occupation".

The proposal for elections, which could have taken place as early as next April, were supposed to create a momen-

tum for the transfer of Israeli military authority to a Palestinian autonomous government. But the suggestion that the polls should be scrapped will be met with quiet relief among many Palestinians.

The greatest opponent of the plan was the Tunis-based leadership of the Palestine Liberation Organization, which was privately concerned that elections among the 1.8 million Palestinians of the occupied territories could have created a rival centre of power and eclipsed the role of its veteran leader. Yassir Arafat.

An appointed body also would probably be drawn from the ranks of the Palestinian delegation to the peace talks, namely Palestinians who broadly support Fatah. the mainstream PLO faction loval to Mr Arafat. However. an elected body would almost certainly include a large minority of representatives from rival organisations, particularly the Islamic Resistance Movement, Hamas, which has a big following, especially in the Gaza Strip.

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Abdel-Shafi: unhappy

Bush flies south to curb storm damage

FROM JAMIE DETTMER IN WASHINGTON

TRYING to silence the lingering criticism of Washington's initial response to the devastation caused by Hurricane Andrew last week. President Bush yesterday left Washington before dawn to tour south Florida and Louisiana.

Dismissing claims that his visit was inspired by electoral considerations, Mr Bush insisted that he was demonstrating his commitment to the victims of the worst natural disaster in American history. His trip capped a four-day effort by the White House to get on top of a domestic situation that has weakened Mr Bush's support in Florida, traditionally a Republican stronghold and a key state in his re-election plans. Soon after Mr Bush, accom-

panied by his wife Barbara and Richard Cheney, the defence secretary, left Washington, Bill Clinton, the Democratic presidential candidate, repeated his call for an enquiry into how the federal government handled relief operations in the three days immediately after the hurrilong to send in aid. Opinion polls in Florida before Andrew indicated that Mr Bush and the Arkansas governor were neck and neck.

At Homestead, one of the worst-hit towns in south Florida, Mr Bush, sweating after only a few minutes in the 29C (84F) heat and 79 per cent humidity, praised the spirit of the victims and those assisting in "the best co-operative effort in a national disaster that this country has ever seen". He told reporters he had come to the state "to be sure that nothing is falling through the cracks". He briefly visited one of the tent cities put up by some of the 18,000 troops now in the state to shelter the estimated 250,000 people left homeless by the hurricane. Whether the White House's

flurry of activity can wipe out memories in Florida of the drift in the administration's initial response to the disaster is, however, in doubt.

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Another 12 blacks die in custody

FROM MICHAEL HAMLYN IN JUHANNESBURG

TWELVE blacks have died in police custody in South Africa since the disclosure a month ago by Jonathan Gluckman, a pathologist, that 90 per cent of the 200 people whose post mortem examinations he had conducted after cell deaths had been killed by the police.

Dr Gluckman, made his public disclosures only after approaches to President de Klerk had failed.

The latest prisoner to die in a cell was a domestic worker who had been accused_of stealing a few hatteries. The police said that eight hours later, she hanged herself from the window bars using her cell blanker. The window was so low that she had to kneel down to do so. The Johannesburg newspaper The Star asked reservay: "How could anyone be driven to suicide by so

Mountain siege makes racist a 'hero'

A WHITE supremacist who barricaded himself into a cabin in the mountain wilderness of northern Idaho and surrendered to US marshals on Monday after an 1 I-day siege which left three people dead, including his wife and son, has become a national hero in the eyes of thousands of American racists and right-

wing extremists. But the bloody confrontation between Randy Weaver, 44, a member of the Christian Identity Movement which combines Old Testament beliefs with racism, and a small army of federal marshals, police and troops, has prompted protests from civil rights groups, as well as right-wing extremists. They claim that Mr Weaver and his family have been persecuted for their beliefs and are the victims of "unnecessary

Federal marshals had been hunting Mr Weaver since early last year when he failed to appear for trial on charges he had sold two sawn-off shotguns to undercover FBI

Civil libertarians join right-wing extremists in condemning the police, Ben Macintyre writes from New York

agents. Eleven days ago Mr Weaver, his family and a friend were cornered in their mountain-top cabin after a series of gun-battles in which federal marshal, Mr Weaver's wife and his son. 13, were all killed, and the friend, Kevin Harris, 24, was

wounded. In the ensuing siege, feder-al agents, national guardsmen and police surrounded the Weavers' cabin in the Selkirk mountains and James "Bo" Gritz, a former lieutentant colonel in the Green Berets who knew Weaver in the Army Special Services, was brought in to try to persuade him to give himself up.

Mr Harris surrendered on Sunday and is being charged with killing the marshal, and on Monday Mr Gritz convinced Mr Weaver and his

three young daughters to give themselves up. "He just cried his wife's name, his son's name, and he stood up tall like a man, and we marched tall down the road like we said we were going to," said Mr Gritz, who is a Presidential candidate for the Populist Party and who rapidly became the most interviewed figure as the drama unfolded. Mr Weaver

yesterday. Throughout the confrontation food was smuggled to the cabin by local supporters and an aggressive crowd of Neo-Nazis, neighbours and members of the racist Aryan Nations group (one of America's largest racist organisations whose headquarters is nearby) assembled at roadblocks leading from the

was flown to Boise, Idaho to

appear in federal court

mountain to hold vigils and shout abuse at federal agents and police. Mr Weaver and his wife

were followers of a doctrine which claims that Europeans are the lost tribe of Israel, and that Jews and blacks are satanic. In the 1980s federal authorities began following Mr Weaver's movements after an informer said he was involved in selling arms to the Aryan nations.

His supporters, however, say he was framed by the FBI because he refused to help with an investigation into that group. Federal authorities have denied that there is any connection between the massive operation to capture Mr Weaver and his extreme "You can believe anything

you want to in this country. a spokesman for the Federal Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms told The New York Times. "But it's when you start getting involved in the trafficking of illegal weapons that we get concerned."

Bar wants Collor impeached

FROM MAC MARGOLIS IN RIO DE JANEIRO

THE presidents of the Brazilian bar association and press association, Marcelo Lavenere and Barbosa Lima Sobrinho, delivered a formal petition to congress yesterday calling for the impeachment of President Collor de Mello for "betrayal of the people and abuse of the public confidence".

Two days earlier. Senhor Collor vehemently denied on radio and television charges made by a congressional in vestigating panel that he winked at corruption and illegally profited from clandes tine business deals by friends Many political observers have described his speech as a valiant attempt by a flounder ing leader to shore up a

collapsing government.
The president is losing sup port in congress daily. He must amass the support of a least two thirds of the lower house is he is to be able to block impeachment.

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Political correctness in America is a

way of life, writes Bryan Appleyard

merica is entering a dream world, and as ever Hollywood is leading the way. At the Emmy awards on Monday, ritual derision was heaped upon the wretched Dan Quayle for his attack on the TV series Murphy Brown. He suggested that a single-parent heroine threatened family values. The liberal élite piled awards on the show and acclaimed it as a humane gesture of support for single parents everywhere. Between dumb Dan and smug Can-dice Bergen, this awful show's star, there is little to choose. But for lovers of America, such as me, it is clear that a terrible choice is being made, a decision, to borrow the title of another TV show, to dream on.

American liberals are currently very pleased with themselves. The grim spectacle of the Republican convention in Houston provided them with, if such a thing were possible, an even softer target than

Dan Quayle. An-thony Lewis, a New York Times colum-Use the nist, pointed out that the anti-aborword 'girl' tion rednecks of the GOP had painted and you are themselves into a corner in which a 13-year-old rape as likely to be thrown out as if you had said

victim who terminated her pregnancy could end up in the gas cham-ber. And everywhere there was complacent, sophisticated disgust with the sight of Bible-'nigger' belters hogging the podium and, the left claimed, abusing women, blacks and the underprivileged. Meanwhile, the new McCarthyism of political correctness is raging

unabated. PC is not, as some have suggested, a hysterical invention of the conservative press; it is a way of life. In admittedly far-left Massachusetts, car bumpers are now plastered with a range of slogans to signal how slavishly the driver has bought the package - he/she is pro-choice (ie abortion), pro-recycling, anti-Bush and so on and so on. Use the word "girl" over the cocktails and you are as likely to be thrown out as if you had just said "nigger". Suggest environmentalism may have got out of hand and you could have your visa revoked. But there is another bumpersticker that should send shudders of

self-doubt through this complacent consensus. I saw it glued noton antly to an ancient Chevrolet van. It read: "No more excuses, buy American". Japanese competition has massacred the pride of industrial America, its motor industry, and the great corporate monsters are still failing to respond. The cheapest Mazda or Toyota on the freeways is visibly better built than all but the most expensive products of GM. Ford or Chrysler. At the top end of the market car-wise, Americans aspire not to Lincolns or Cadillacs but to the Lexus, made by Toyota. Though, even here, PC nears its sanctimonious head; the acceleration figures in the advertisements for the Lexus coupé carry the warning that 0-60 in under seven seconds should absolutely not

be tried on any public highway. The liberal elite notes with alarming coolness that the car-makers are closing plants and are looking to move south of the border to exploit the low wages and low-regulation economy of Mexico. They speak learnedly of the phenomenon of "distributive manufacturing" in which design and management functions remain in the United States while factories in Illinois and Indiana are closed to open up in Taiwan or China. The labels on

even the most expensive American clothes say "Made in China". The pervasive all-American cult of the training shoe has grown almost entirely out of this phenomenon. With earnest conviction, America's brightest and best cultivate themselves by jogging and pumping iron in footwear un-touched by the hands of the American working class.

Liberal sages speak optimistically of a "headquarters economy", a white-collar culture whose brains and money put eager foreigners to work. It is a quaint, imperialistic

image, evoking the benign paternal-ism of Ruskin. It suggests that Amer ica can do good by doing less. But in the rust belt of the mid-west or the near-anarchy of the inner cities, it must sound like mandarin nonsense.

In the refined air of the eastern seaboard, the new American dream is to be a PC beacon to the world. The new reality threatens to be a society nolarised into an

educated élite designing ever-more elaborate shoes on Japanese computers and a vast sub-class endlessly

patronised and unemployed. Not, it should be said, that the conservatives are doing much better. The announcement of the death of 1980s conservatism in the liberal press is not entirely premature. The Republican convention was a distressing spectacle. Stripped of the rhetoric of the Cold War, the party embraced a frenzied, incoherent platform of "family values", apparently as a way to display Barbara Bush as a more homey, less frightening figure than Hillary Clinton. It is difficult to imagine democracy in a more decadent phase than one in which unelected wives are judged on how convincing they would look baking chocolate brownies.

ne cannot even discount such madness as the subversive work of the party radicals. George Bush himself has spoken of wanting to see American families more like the Waltons than the Simpsons. The president can do no better than call on two television shows to define the current cultural and moral condition of the most powerful, creative and energetic nation of the 20th century. And, George, at least The Simpsons is funny, though it may

be the last laugh.

They are all dreaming: the right of a pioneer family on the prairie, the left of a clean, lit. smart America, self-cultivating its way to the new millennium. Of course, it may all be the temporary froth of an election year. But, if it isn't, then boy, as they say, do

we have problems.

Many of the alleged links between lifestyle and disease are spurious, argues James Le Fanu

lmost forty years after health minister lain Madeod told A minister lain mauces and Parliament "There is so far no firm evidence of the way in which smoking may cause lung cancer or the extent to which it does so," the Home Office has recognised the firmness of the evidence. From now on, doctors can write "smoking" on a death certificate as a contributory cause of death.

In the meantime, millions of people, though scarcely conversant with the subtleties of statistical evidence proving that smoking really does kill, have done the sensible thing and packed it in. Yet understanding the intellectual arguments by which smoking has been incriminated is perhaps more important than ever. For these arguments provide the most potent refutation of the hundreds of claims that have been made in recent years about the risks of everyday life.

Alcohol, for example, besides its known association with liver scierosis, has been linked with cancers of the breast and bladder, and cooking in aluminium saucepans has been associated with senile dementia. Keeping pets has been linked with multiple sclerosis; sugar with Smoking out the risk

implicated in virtually everything. The association must be strong: The most lucid exposition of the lung cancer is ten times commoner link between smoking and lung cancer was provided by the late Sir in smokers than non-smokers. It must be consistent 35 separate studies have confirmed this. It has Austin Bradford Hill, who along with Sir Richard Doll provided the to hold over time: the change in first hard evidence in the early smoking is paralleled by a change 1950s. The technique was simple: in instance of lung cancer. There take one group of people with the disease being studied and a control group, and look for differences in must be a biological gradient: the more an individual smokes, the higher the risk of disease. Ideally it should be confirmed by experi-ment those who stop smoking Sure enough there are many more smokers among those with reduce their risk of lung cancer over

time in a predictable way. These criteria of causality Sir Austin dubbed his "canons of statistical proof". There might, of course, be additional causes of lung cancer. A rare type can occur in non-smokers. It is commoner in urban than rural areas, so perhaps pollution is contributory. Not everyone who smokes gets lung cancer. so perhaps some people are protec-

diabetes, heart diseases and gall-stones; and a high lat diet has been the same result. He specified some ted by their genes. But these obser-vations are insufficient to annul the overwhelming internal consistency of the evidence that smoking does indeed cause lung cancer.

On the other hand, as soon as one

tries to apply Sir Austin's canons to the myriad of other alleged hazards in life, one finds either that there is no evidence or that falls it to pieces in one's hands. So, the supposed link between alcohol and breast cancer is based on a large study of nurses, in which those who said they had drunk alcohol in the previous 24 hours subsequently turned out to have a slightly increased instance of this type of cancer. The association, however, was very weak; it has been contradicted by many other studies: there is no evidence of a biological gradient, and it certainly does not hold over time. The safe and certain conclusion must be that this particular alleged link can be dismissed as statistical garbage.

A similar verdict applies to many of the apparently self-evident beliefs about the alleged harm of the Western diet. The evidence linking heart disease and fat consumption completely fails to satisfy Sir Austin's canons. In Britain, for example, we find that those who suffer ple, we find that those who suffer heart disease eat exactly the same diet as those who do not further the rise and fall of the epidemic of the disease over the last 50 years has certainly not been paralleled by changes in fat consumption, for these have been essentially trivial Thus compared to smoking and lung cancer, the link between fat consumption and heart disease seems very weak indeed, and should be disregarded.

Sir Austin's intellectual legacy is doubly significant. His canons of statistical proof, which so convineingly and logically identified smoking as the commonest most preventable cause of premature death in the Western world, can also, equally effectively, be used to dis-count the vast majority of the fears and anxieties promulgated by the health lobby in recent years.

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Europe's show must go on

The EC won't stop developing if the French vote No, says George Brock

avesdrop on almost any conversation among the tanned Eurocrats, diplomats, lobbyists and lawyers trickling back to rain-sodden Brussels from their holidays, and sooner or later you will hear the same question. "Et si le Non l'emporte?", they ask each other. What if the French reject the Maastricht treaty on September 20?

Europe's ambitious engineers of unification are suddenly contem-plating the unthinkable. Straw polls confirm the impression that the No campaign has the momentum, while the government's Yes campaign is stumblingly incompe-tent. If the French defy the advice of President Mitterrand and vote the treaty down, the 250-page text and its intricate recipes for political and monetary union will be dead beyond hope of resuscitation. After the Danish rejection in early June, the EC's foreign ministers met in hasty conclave and announced that would pretend that the vote had never happened. This time, the ostrich option is not available.

The consequences of a No would be more momentous for Brussels than for even France's domestic politics. The blueprint for uniting Europe would be in shreds. The wish to unite the continent in a federal union would not fade, for it springs from deep needs and fears often misundertood in Britain. Countries which have suffered occupation by Germany this century will continue to want the protection that integration offers.

The immediate aftershock would be financial. Currency markets would force a realignment of the currencies in the European exchange-rate mechanism, easing the strains of the past few weeks. Since the loss of the treaty would postpone any merging of European currencies into the indefinite future, the system might become too unstable to hold together.

Jacques Delors, president of the European Commission for the last seven years, would then resign at the end of the year. His warning at the weekend that he will not con-

tinue beyond December if his compatriots vote against the treaty is not bombast or blackmail, but a statement of intent. M Delors believes that the treaty itself was bad enough: a jumble of flabby compromises which do not go nearly far enough towards creating a strong political centre for federal union. To see even this half-baked text rejected in his own country would reduce his high hopes to rubble. The debris would also bury any thoughts he might have entertained of running for French

stones; and a high fat diet has been

lung cancer. By itself such a finding, though interesting, proves only that there is an association

between the two phenomena. To

prove the relationship between

smoking and lung cancer is causal,

Sir Austin maintained, it was

necessary to show that the evidence

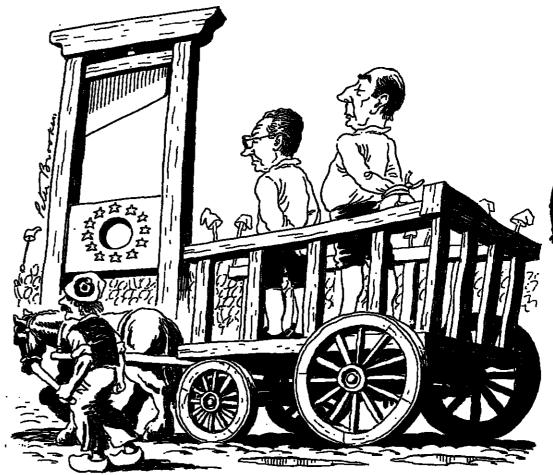
was internally coherent, so that no

matter from which angle the ques-

tion was tackled, it always produces

Would M Defors be succeded by Spanish prime minister Felipe Gonzalez, or by his Dutch counterpart Ruud Lubbers? These, at least, are the men who were last seen jockeying for a position which then seemed to be worth occupying. Would they want it now? The present Commission happens to be holding its first discussion of a future without Maastricht and Delors today, and the commissioners are painting a grim and fearful picture. Sir Leon Brittan talks of political and economic instability. Europe will slip its only anchor, the Community, warns his colleague Karel van Miert, who adds menacingly: "Look what happened in Yugoslavia." This scare tactic is a variant of the threat which protreaty French politicians are waying at their rebellious voters. Destroy the treaty, says prime minister Pierre Bérégovoy, and Europe will return to the dangerous vacuum of 1914. Europe without Maastricht is made to resemble the anarchic wasteland of Aliens3.

It won't wash. The best counterargument to this epidemic of lurid pessimism was put by a senior British minister only a few weeks before the Maastricht summit. If there's no deal, he said, "all the blaming would go on for five days: then the Community would go on with its work -- in a slightly bedraggled state". This insouciance was partly a negotiating bluff, but the prediction is accurate enough. The minister concerned is now a stout defender of Maastricht, and has



been trying to persuade the Eurosceptics of the Tory party to help ratify the treaty.

But if Maastricht falls away, the Treaty of Rome and the Single European Act still stand. The single market is still due to open for business with bonfires and ballyhoo in January. Austria. Sweden, Finland and Switzerland are waiting politely at the EC's front door, and a merged single market of the Community and the Alpine and Scandinavian states of the European Free Trade Association, totalline 380 million consumers, awaits

ratification this autumn. Integration will continue and may even accelerate; the Community will evolve. The needs of business will demolish barriers. and information technology will weave new webs of cooperation. Urgent transnational problems

such as Balkan peace-making, toxic waste and waves of refugees will need bold international solutions. Answers to those problems can be found without the burdensome requirement that they end in a European federation. The intellectual monopoly of federalist thinkers would be ended by a No vote, and such a liberation is more likely to lead to fresh thinking than introspective immobility. A pained Mr van Miert said that you can't be for Europe and against Maastricht. but plenty of Danish and French voters plainly think you can.

The Community's motor would be broken," said one of M Delors' aides yesterday, "and there will be no urgency or discipline to make decisions." But similarly gloomy predictions were made when the French national assembly voted down the European Defence Community in 1954. Only two years later, the EC's six original states laid the foundations for a less ambitious but more effective common market. After a No vote, politicians in France and Germany might try to start again with a small community excluding difficult latecorners and new applicants. But neither country shows signs of wanting to shut out the struggling

states of Eastern Europe. A more plausible scenario has been outlined by former French president Valéry Giscard d'Estaing, who campaigns for the treaty. Look what would happen. he urged television viewers last week, if "Europe is abandoned by France". The Community will head for what the British want: few central institutions and a priority for free trade. For Mr Major, that may not sound too disagreeable.

...and moreover

should not be writing this at all. I should be writing , a battle anthem. I should be sitting here in my grey breeches and riding boots and my grey jacket with the yellow frogging and epaulettes and my plumed hat, and quickly dashing off something for my men to march behind. Downstairs, my crinolined wife would be snuffling decorously into a lace hankie, while the daily (since I unfortunately lack a trusty black manservant) would be honing my sabre, oiling my Navy colt, and getting my horse out of the garage. And don't say I'm too old.

When Robert E. Lee was given command of the Confederate forces, he was exactly my age. For rebel generals. 54 is the prime. Mind you, I say dashing off, but it would not be an easy anthem to write. Since it was Winston Churchill who maintained that there was no more stirring a battle march than Dixie. I should be happy enough with the tune, but chiselling new lyrics to fit it is an altogether trickier matter: if you would care to pause at this point and attempt to sing "Look away. look away, look away, South Cricklewood!" you will immediately hear the snag. It is that intrusive third syllable. Were I putative commander of the forces of all Cricklewood, of course, it would be a doddle: but it is the word South that is the problem.

In I fear, every sense, For I have just returned from France to find that we are two Cricklewoods, now: amid the pile of

post jamming the front door was letter from the Borough of Barnet addressed to me in somewhere called South Cricklewood. and when I instantly rang to enquire about this hitherto undesignated territory. I was told that henceforth, for administrative purposes. Cricklewood would be divided into North and South, the border being Cricklewood Lane.

Border? I cried. border? I know that I need not elaborate my horror. I have wearied you often enough over the past few years with my bid to register Cricklewood upon the national consciousness, to give to airy nothing a local habitation and a name, and now here was Barnet stomping in, with inky blots and rotten parchment bonds, to cleave that nascent

identity in two. But then I thought, hang on: might those drear words "for administrative purposes" be no more than nervous bureauspeak to deflect me from a far grislier truth? Might something quite horrible have happened during my absent month? Might the blame lie not with Barnet at all, but with Gorbachev? For since we know, now, that the noise we heard in November 1989 was not that of a wall being dismantled but of a wall being cannibalised in order that a hundred other walls could be erected in a hundred other places, could it be that dear old Cricklewood had, while I was briefly gone, supped upon that ghastly cocktail of fissiparousness and exclusion

which has left all Europe reeling

and brawling? I ran up here to the loft, and looked out. All seemed quiet enough. No obvious Balkanisation going on, no shots, no shrieks, no pockmarked masonry, and from what I could see of the soi-disant border half a mile away, the buses seemed to be trundling back and forth along it without any undue interference from mines. But do you know, even as I looked, it was suddenly borne in upon me that there were indeed two distinct Crickle-woods, bisected by the Lane: the noisy bustling industrial North of dark satanic home improvement centres and mighty used car lots, and the indolent bucolic South of tweezered lawns and Hoovered patios, where, though space forbids cotillion and pointto-point, the tinkling laughter of lovely women and the sage opinions of authoritative men nevertheless punctuate the scented gloaming as the Chardonnay goes down and the flakes of halfcaten vol-au-vent pirouette in the tastefully floodlit breeze; and since such cultural disparities have ever been a precursor of bitter clash, could Barnet be trying to tell me our time is nigh?

I feel a chill wind rattling the casement. Any day now, the Northern forces may pour across the new border under some such pretext as, say, freeing our au pairs, and life as we know it, gracious, gentle, elegant, will disappear forever.

Though not, if I can just sort this anthem out, without a fight.

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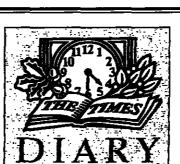
Persistent tone of irritation

HAVING described them as one of the "greatest scourges of modern life". Norman Lamont has spent his summer discovering at first hand just how intrusive the mobile telephone can be. Now safely back behind his desk in the Treasury, Lamont will be thankful that he once again has a bank of aides to field his telephone calls. For packed at the very top of the family suitcases for the summer holiday were no fewer than three mobile telephones, ensuring that the Lamont holiday retreats in France and Tuscany were never more than a dialling tone away from the Bank

of England and the Bundesbank There was no escape, even when the chancellor left the Tuscan home of Lord Wyatt, which he and his family used as the base for most of their break, to go sailing in the Mediterranean. "The chancellor could hardly believe it when he got on board. There was a special satellite yacht-phone, and the Bank of England was on the line within minutes," says one of his aides.

The first of his battery of mobile phones was used to call the Treasury from France at the start of the holiday. Lamont's private office then used a satellite link to route his calls through to finance ministers around Europe, and to the allimportant Bundesbank.

The second phone was for use in Italy, and the third was a reserve. There was no getting away from it," said the Treasury official. "The chancellor was taking a close interest in the markets and needed to be in regular contact with the Bank of England and the Bundesbank. At one stage I think all four telephones on the yacht were ringing at the same time."



It was a new experience for Lamont who introduced a special tax on yuppie phones last year and has resolutely refused Treasury advice to have a mobile at home. "After his holiday I think he will be even less keen," adds the official. Do not be surprised to see a hike in the tax in the next budget.

 The latest to join the anthology bandwagon is Denis Healey whose book My Secret Planet is due out later this month. Healey describes the work as "an attempt to describe some of the furniture of my mind," and weighty stuff it is too, full of Germanic philosophers and the like. Yet between the chunks of Kant and Wittgenstein comes a delightful piece of verse which Healey says influenced him throughout his days at Oxford. The first couplet conveys the flavour. Her name was Lil and she was a Cutie, She lived in a house of ill-reputy.

Own goal MORE EXCITED than most about the early success of Blackburn Rovers in soccer's new Premier League is Sir Rhodes Boyson. The former education minister and one-time headmaster even blames his lifelong support of the team for his failing his 11-plus. Boyson,

What a shame Healey never quite

made it to Labour leader.

now 67, says that he was sitting the exam on a day when Rovers were playing at home — and realised that if he stayed to finish his paper he would be in danger of missing the game. He slipped out early, and his father was furious when he duly failed the exam.

"He knocked me from one end of the room to the other. It was the first and only time he hit me. so I knew it was important to settle down to intellectual activity." Suitably chastened. Boyson later passed an exam for a fee-paying place at the local grammar school. and his tough views about the im-portance of proper exams were formed. But he still follows the

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team whenever he can. "I can hardly believe they went top at the weekend," he says. "I am delighted."

European conflict

PRESIDENT MITTERRAND may live to regret agreeing to go on French television tomorrow to debate the virtues of the Maastricht treaty. With paranoia and resentment growing daily in France over Germany's economic dominance, Mitterrand could hardly have picked a worse date for his clash with Philippe Seguin, the leader of

the Non campaign.

Readers of The Times, both in Britain and France, will need little reminding that tomorrow is the 53rd anniversary of a memorable event in European history. The Non campaign is already under-stood to have lined up veterans of la résistance to take the streets tomorrow in a symbolic protest. Small wonder that John Major decided to

L-driver crashes

take no part in the debate.

champion, Nigel Mansell, began his career by duping his way onto a track by lying about his age. "It is only now that I have rumbled Nigel's secret," says Bert Hesketh, a former RAC official who was in charge of a Go-Kart world championship race at Heysham in 1968. "He was just 15 at the time, much too young to have taken part in the race in the first place. We thought he was 17," says Hesketh.
"Had I known his real age I would have had to bar him. And if I had done that, would we have the world champion we have today?" The race very nearly deprived

THE new Formula One world

Britain of its future champion anyway. The young Mansell crashed through a fence and ended up in hospital, where a priest even read the last rites. "He almost killed himself. It just shows how mad keen he was to race," says Hesketh.

 The latest accessory to grace Sloane Ranger dinner parties is a pirate copy of the so-called Dianagate tape. Enterprising Sloanes have apparently copied the tape from the telephone line laid on by a certain tabloid newspaper not too far from this office, which is charging eavesdroppers £11 for the unexpurgated version.

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THE POLICE INSPECTED

Reform of the police is becoming urgent. As controller of the Audit Commission, Howard Davies was responsible for a series of reports that were critical of the muddle and inefficiency in provincial police forces. Though he is now director general of the Confederation of British Industry, yesterday he displayed once more his talent for asking sharp questions about policing.

ucs James Legar

The government will not be able to answer them without public debate. The modern theory of police work rests on there being informed public consent to police objectives. Mr Davies's singular achievement is to initiate that debate and point it in the direction it must go. The Home Office enquiry into police working practices which Kenneth Clarke, the home secretary, announced in May will take stock of recent changes, but it is not within its remit to answer the more fundamental policy questions. Those are for government.

The police are one of five areas of the public sector Mr Davies examined, in the light of his Audit Commission experiences, in a paper written for the Social Market Federation and published yesterday. The others were social services, the National Health Service, refuse collection and schools. He suggests ten criteria for running publicsector services including the police, such as insisting on clearly defined outputs, independent inspection and audit, a clean split between provider and purchaser, a strong lay element in management, comparative data on performance and a voice for consumers.

Of the five services he compares, the National Health Service reforms come closest to meeting his conditions, while the police are furthest from meeting them. The police "show all the characteristics of a badly designed system, one ripe for fundamental reform", Mr Davies remarks. "Of all public services, the police were the least affected by the Thatcher revolution."

This is partly because governments and Oppositions have played politics with the police, out-bidding each other on police manpower as a mark of political machismo without reference to efficiency or performance. But the evasions of politicians were understandable. The political doctrines behind the policing of a Western plural democracy are uncertain and still evolving, with new principles and approaches gradually taking over from the old, and a clash of police cultures in every force at almost every level. To policemen of the old school, still well represented in the notorious canteen culture. the police were a "force". Mr Davies points out how useful this traditional view was when it came to controlling the 1984 miners' strike. Policemen were the strong arm of the state, whose job was to impose an ideal of law and order at the point of a truncheon. The individual's role was to "move along now" when told to do so, not to take part in a discussion about policing objectives.

Policing is now regarded as a "service", offering the community something it wants. It even becomes possible to talk, as Mr Howard urges, of the police having "customers" and of those customers making choices. Among the most important of these will be to decide how much policing they are willing to pay for, specifying what quality of service they would regard as value for money. If, as earlier Audit Commission work suggested, rapid response to 999 calls was a high public priority, then that should be a police priority too. Unlike fire and ambulance emergency calls, however, there are no standard reaction times set for the police nor are national statistics available. Police answering emergency calls often do not

bother to report back. Without such transparency, the public cannot know whether police performance is satisfactory. It may be good public relations for the police to present themselves as answerable to demands of the community, but behind a cloak of public ignorance they can carry on as before. The Home Office should insist on better public monitoring of police performance. Mr Clarke should tell. Mr Davies's successor, Peter Brokenshire, that the government welcomes the commission's efforts in policing the police.

GEORGIAN HYDRA

Small wonder that Georgians are among the world's foremost translators and interpreters of Shakespeare. Proud, cultured, chivalrous, their lives are dominated by ancient feuds, wine, religion and honour the stuff of Shakespearean tragedy. The world is obsessed with Yugoslavia, bored by Lebanon and, perhaps, not yet aware of the full horror

of civil war in Georgia.
In the fall of Zviad Gamsakhurdia, the brilliant and paranoid former president himself a translator of Shakespeare - there are elements of Macbeth and Richard III. In Eduard Shevardnadze, the white-haired new sirman of the state council, there is something of Lear without the madness as he rails against the treachery around him while his kingdom cracks.

This beautiful country is now racked with fighting. In Abkhazia, in the northwest, Georgian troops are fighting a three-way battle against separatists from this small, formerly autonomous Muslim region on the Black Sea coast. The latter have declared full independence and are now being helped by hundreds of armed Caucasian volunteers: Chechens, Adygai, Gabardine, men from the turbulent regions in southern Russia who, acknowledging the suzerainty of none, have streamed south with their Kalashnikovs. Government troops are also battling against the "Zviadisti", the fanatical followers of the exiled former president, whose uncompromising nationalism first stirred

these minority revolts. In South Ossetia, an enclave on the border of Russia, an uneasy ceasefire holds. A revolt against the capital of Georgia, Tbilisi, that began in 1990 degenerated into terrorism. hostage-taking and the occasional massacre of civilians. It threatened to drag in Moscow. Russian nationalists demanded help for a region that had always served Russia's interests and provided more than its share of army volunteers. Appeals went out for arms and aid from kinsmen in north Ossetians.

which is part of the existing Russia. Troops attempted to quell the revolt, and until Mr Shevardnadze returned from Moscow, terrorism in South Ossetia looked set to become endemic. But the new Georgian leader is a fox who knows his countrymen well from his 13 years as the party's first secretary. He used his old party connections, his friendship with President Yeltsin and his skill as a negotiator, to set up a Georgian-Russian conciliation force that since July has miraculously managed to keep

Now he is gambling that a show of force in Abkhazia, where the Abkhazians constitute only a fifth of the population, will crush a revolt that can only undermine efforts to pacify the inflamed body politic while rallying to the government cause the Zviadisti. However, a "surgical operation" to occupy the local parliament has met resistance. Fighting has spread. Russian forces have been caught in the crossfire, militarily and politically. Mr Shevardnadze's relations with Moscow are under strain.

The Georgian leader is a master tactician. He knows how pride can be assuaged, face saved and the various warlords, on whose support he depends, be made to feel that they still have importance. Against the odds, he

may yet negotiate peace. His own position, though, is delicate: constitutionally he is a usurper, inheritor of a revolt which he encouraged from afar to overthrow a legally elected president. But most Georgians regard the technicalities as misleading. Mr Shevardnadze is the true democrat. Mr Gamsakhurdia the deposed

Only Georgians can work out a new constitution for their multi-ethnic country. They need none of the meddling interference and arms dumping that blighted and still blights Lebanon. Luckily, the outside world is unwilling to interfere in a land better known in legend than reality. Jason, an ancient intruder into Georgia, had to kill all the heads of the Hydra before he could claim the Golden Fleece. Mr Shevardnadze has to battle alone before his country can find salvation.

A MERE MAN

New men may be flourishing in this kinder. gentler decade, but not, it seems, in the Home Office. A Swedish au pair fitting none of the usual stereotypes - neither blonde nor buxom, nor even female - has been refused leave to look after children in Britain. Johan Egelstedt, who was threatened with deportation, may now stay in this country but not as

a grant of

an au pair. The Home Office allows foreign au pairs to join a British family and earn pocket money of between £20 and £30 a week in return for helping in the house. For working parents they usefully fill a gap in the childcare market, between children coming back from school and parents returning from work Or they offer a non-working mother a helping hand and occasional time to herself. Au pairs, in return, have a chance to learn English, live in a family home and carn just enough to entertain themselves in

their spare time. The Home Office, when it created the immigration loophole for au pairs, was concerned to prevent foreigners abusing it, for instance by arriving in Britain on an au pair's visa and then bringing a spouse or children over to join them. So it stipulated that au pairs should be aged between 17 and 27 inclusive with no spouse or dependants. It also insisted they be female.

When the law was framed in 1971, this specification may have been unexceptionable. Few parents imagined having their children looked after by a man and few men

would have thought of taking such a job. Fewer mothers went out to work, and those who did arranged for other women to replace them at home.

Times have changed. These days fathers are more active as parents, and in families in which the mother also works, many of them share childcare more or less equally. This is normaily seen not as a duty but as an act of choice. Many regret having seen too little of their own fathers when they were young and want to redress the balance with their children. Being an active father is nowadays no longer seen as unusual or unmanly. This must be good for stable family life.

It is therefore no longer unthinkable for men to look after children, even quite small ones not their own. Some parents like the idea - Mr Egelstedt's putative employers thought he would be a good role model for their boys - and some men now welcome the work. The sexual template the Home Office

drew up 20 years ago no longer fits. If Kenneth Clarke, the home secretary, were to redefine the au pair to include men. would Britain be invaded by "bogus" male au pairs who wanted to stay illegally? There is no evidence that men are more prone to do this than women. America, for instance, is still wary of letting in single women, fearing they will marry American men in order to stay. Mr Clarke has agreed to review the ruling. He should keep the strictures on age and dependants. But he should scrap the archaic gender restriction.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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Free speech and control of media

From Mr John Rubinstein

Sir, Whilst Alastair Brett and Derek Currie may have been arguing for the protection of free speech ("No win, no fee: free speech loses". Law Times, August 25) their arguments, perversely, would ensure its denial. They take no account either of the expense of libel litigation or of the stranglehold on freedom of expression exercised by the media.

For the vast majority of individuals, freedom of speech is subject to censor-ship by newspaper editors who decide what views shall and shall not be aired in their pages. They also decide what is reasonable" or "proper" in publishing public replies to or retractions of patent mistakes, often in the form of statements placed in parts of the newspaper which have less prominence than the article which provoked complaint and printed in compar-atively insignificant type. The current debate about par-

liamentary intervention on invasion of privacy reflects these grave weak-nesses. No newspaper editor has force-fully criticised the United Kingdom which, unlike other European countries who are signatories to the (European) Convention for the Protection of Human Rights and Fundamental Freedoms, has failed to give legislative effect to Article 8 (i) of that convention. The UK has persistently and consistently refused to ack-nowledge that a person should have, as a fundamental freedom, "the right to respect for his private and family life, his home and his corres-

pondence". Newspapers are not the only culprits, as the sad spectacle last June of Mrs Kevin Maxwell being ridiculed in front of the TV cameras by police officers, with the serried ranks of the media camped outside her home in the early hours of the morning in attendance, bears testimony.

The Press Complaints Commission remains a toothless and ineffectual body. It is controlled by the press, which has a majority sitting on its decision-making panel, and its role can be muted simply by a newspaper's threat not to enforce or respect any of its findings.

The Lord Chancellor must be persuaded that the power to make awards of damages should be taken away from the jury and given to the judge. The jury, meanwhile, should continue to decide whether allegations are libellous, since the basis of the cause of action of all libel is whether or not the complainant has been exposed to

public odium, scandal and contempt. The introduction of a defence of "in the public interest", as proposed by Messrs Brett and Currie, would make libel trials even more expensive to litigate than they already are. It would also further load the dice against the vast majority of those who have been unjustifiably wronged by media defen-

Were the power to set the level of damages given to a judge, a bona fide mistake made by a newspaper in the course of reporting a matter in the public interest could be taken into acount by him.

Yours faithfully, JOHN RUBINSTEIN, 2 Raymond Buildings. Grays Inn. WC1.

Food dudes

From Mrs Melissa G. Hawes

Sir. If watching Captain Cabbage and the Food Dudes on video dramatically changes the eating patterns of some children ("Views of the greens", Life & Times, August 25), what of those who insist that violence and brutality on television and videos have no effect on children's behaviour?

While being in no way an exponent of blanket censorship - my children and I enjoy Tom and Jerry carroons as much as anyone - I wonder, can we really have it both ways?

Yours sincerely. MELISSA G. HAWES. 21 Allard Crescent. Bushey Heath. Watford, Hertfordshire.

Rights of way

From Mr Mike Walker

Sir. In your report. "Ramblers accuse local authorities of negligence" (August 19) I was alarmed to see Buckinghamshire County Council listed as one of 19 failing to take action against offenders under the Rights of Way Act 1990. This council receives many reports of paths obstructed contrary to the act. All are addressed and the bulk are resolved in correspondence and discussion with the farmers concerned.

In Rights of Way - A Guide to Law and Practice, generally regarded as the bible on these matters. Buckinghamshire is cited more than any other county council when listing authorities that have prosecuted offenders,

It has prosecuted for 17 offences under the act in the past 12 months and will continue to do so where necessary.

Yours faithfully, MIKE WALKER. (Senior Rights of Way Officer. Buckinghamshire County Council). 19 Diane Close. Aylesbury, Buckinghamshire.

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August 20.

From Mr Geoff Steeley

Sir. To appear in a list of shame is a salutary experience. To appear in it wrongfully is shameful to the compilers - in this case the Ramblers' Association. Hertfordshire County Council values its ramblers and is proud to praise them for their cooperation with us. in surveys and in keeping us to our commitments in this area.

However, we are not guilty of failure to provide a definitive map of the county's rights of way. The most recent was published in 1986, since when there have been three amendments. the latest dated June 1, 1991. The map. on a scale of 1:10,000, shows over 5,000 individual paths over a total of 3,084 km. We believe it to be one of the most up-to-date and accurate maps in the country.

Yours faithfully. GEOFF STEELEY. (Director of Planning and Environment). Hertfordshire County Council, County Hall, Hertford. August 19.

From Mr J. M. Summer Sir, The Ramblers' Association is Gloucester.

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returns of well over 12 per cent will be

per cent, coupled with capital depreci-ation. Inevitably, landlords would seek

to raise rents, or to sell if they could not

In the real world, if investors are to be attracted to private renting, gross required if there is no capital appreciation. Otherwise the investor would do much better to put his or her money into national savings or a building society.

In turn this means that, beyond a term of two or three years, renting would remain more expensive than buying and suitable mainly for those who may move frequently.

Yours faithfully, J. NURSE (Senior consultant). First Time Home Buyers' Advisory Service Ltd. 18 Seymour Place, W1. August 28.

From Mr Richard Cridland

Sir, I would challenge the figure in the table you published on comparative housing costs showing that owneroccupiers spend as little as 1.5 per cent of the purchase price on the insurance and maintenance of their homes.

They may say they do, but experience shows that a vast amount of personal resource is spent at DIY and other retailers providing home-care and home-improvement products. Buyers of these products are often surprised at the impact of these costs on their personal budgets, if asked to calculate them honestly.

The tenant renting through a reputable agency offering properties in good condition in every price range is getting an excellent deal. A good standard of condition and on-going maintenance is included in the price of the rental.

Yours faithfully R. W. CRIDLAND (Principal), Runyards, Cherwell House, I London Place, Oxford. August 27.

From Dr Stanley Solomons

Sir, The Chief Rabbi, writing with

more passion of feeling than clarity of

thought, suggests it is largely the high

moral and spiritual tone in two Jewish

schools that has resulted in their

attaining better A-level results than

A bit of a facer, this, when one comes

think of all those Church of

any other state schools in the country.

England, Roman Catholic, chapel and

Quaker schools whose inferior results,

no doubt, must be due to the lower

Unless, of course it has more to do

with that determination that they and

their children will get on in life, for

which Jews are so well known and

which for so long they have needed to

adopt, or 20 under. As the Chief Rabbi

writes: "Jews predicated their survival

on schools and their spirituality on

education, and it has worked."

165 West Heath Road, NW3.

degree or even order of their morality

and spirituality.

Yours sincerely,

S. SOLOMONS.

Faith in schooling

From Mrs Judith Lyons

Sir, The short-term financial advan-

tage of renting a home in comparison

to buying one (report, August 27) is

most apt in the present economic

Costs additional to the hypothetical

house price of £55,000 used by the

Council of Mortgage Lenders are:

stamp duty, £500; mortgage survey fee, £150 plus VAT; solicitors fees,

approximately £750 plus VAT; and Land Registry fees — all of which do not apply to a rental, thus making the

But there is a long-term benefit to

house purchase: one could take a 20-

year mortgage and own the house

outright at the end of it without any

more to pay. At that stage rents would have risen at least in line with

inflation, while the cost of the mort-

gage payments would have shrunk in

real terms, as a proportion of income,

renting: over a similar 20-year period

the rent could rise in line with

inflation. Security of tenure is no

longer certain because of the recent

change in the law giving landlords greater rights of repossession. In my

Sir, The report by the Council of Mortgage Lenders bases its conclusion

that renting may now be cheaper than

buying in the short term on the

assumption that landlords will be

content to accept a gross return of 6 per

cent on a house valued hypothetically

at £55,000 and if house prices are

falling by 2 per cent a year. This situation could not last because the net

return to the landlord after overheads

and running costs would then be 2-3

view buying is best in the long run.

There are very real fears attached to

for example.

Yours sincerely, JUDITH LYONS,

Osprey House,

Nathan, Silman (solicitors),

78 Wigmore Street, WI.

From Miss Julie Nurse

case for renting even stronger.

climate, but there are other factors.

From Mr R. W. Ellis

Sir, Schools which expect good standards - of behaviour as well as of academic achievement — will get them. Such traditions spring from the society in which children are brought up, and from the concern of parents, as well as from the leadership of the teachers themselves (the Chief Rabbi's article, "Faith in schooling", August

But for parents, when selecting schools, to seek to wrap the cloak of religious custom round their children is to risk the creation of a Britain with ever more dangerously deep divisions of religion and culture. With the example of Ulster so close, dare we encourage further religious segregation in our schools? There are other and less dangerous - ways of creating high expectations.

Yours sincerely, ROGER ELLÍS.

18 North Avenue, Ealing, W13.

Cost of financial advice From Mr John Holt

Sir, Your leader, "Unfair assurance sales (August 26), is itself unfair.

You are quite right in stating that commission rates for financial advisers rose substantially when the maximum commission agreement was abolished in 1988 but you failed to add that the abolition was supported by the Office of Fair Trading against the advice of a substantial number of us inside the business. We thought that the old agreement, which effectively meant that most insurance companies paid the same commission to advisers, was in the best interests of the consumer and therefore of ourselves. The OFT thought otherwise and supported the abolition, to the considerable detri-

ment of the consumer. Your leader and for some years your Weekend Money writers have in-dicated that the public would have a

better chance of judging the quality of the investment if commission were disclosed clearly. Saving £100 per month for one's retirement into a national savings or building society account naturally pays zero commission, whereas saving through a personal pension plan would pay commission. Does zero commission rate make the former a better deal? Some members of the public might be led to believe that this was true and act

accordingly - to their financial loss. Finally, in your news report of the same day the headline refers to "withprofit" bonds and your surrendervalue table refers to bonds, but you have certainly not quoted bond surrender values. You have mistakenly quoted endowment values instead. Yours faithfully,

JOHN HOLT 1 Greyfriars Road, Reading, Berkshire.

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the list of counties alleged to have done little to enforce the Rights of Way Act 1990. Since the law came into force in September 1990 we have given high priority to the specific complaints

received about farmers who fail to

restore and plant crops on public

paths The majority of the 233 complaints under the act received by this county between 1990 and March 1992 were investigated and 66 statutory notices were served on farmers and landowners who failed to resolve com-

plaints. The problem is that the investigation of such complaints is expensive in work-hours and travelling costs.

Gloucestershire was recently selected, along with 14 other county highway authorities, to start the "Parish Path Partnership" which is a scheme to revitalise the opening up and use of public rights of way. The county was selected because of the high priority we give to the county path and bridleway network.

Yours sinceray, JOHN SUMNER, (Public Rights of Way Manager), Gloucestershire County Council, Shire Hall, unfair to include Gloucestershire in August 19.

Home purchase compared with rent Hurd's journey to South Africa

From the Foreign Secretary

Sir, Your leading article today, entitled "Pointless mission", is misguided. Britain and Europe have a strong interest in the transition to a stable and democratic South Africa. The visit of the three EC foreign ministers has been planned for some time. I decided to go ahead after receiving a telephone call from the South African foreign minister urging us to do so, and after confirming that the visit was welcome

to the ANC and others. Mr Botha argued during this call that if we did not go ahead with the projected visit it would be felt that Britain and Europe had forgotten South Africa in the midst of our other concerns.

We can bring ourselves up to date personally on the prospects and the difficulties. Whether in addition we can be of some help we do not yet know. I hope so. But against this background it must be right to go.

Yours faithfully, DOUGLAS HURD. Foreign and Commonwealth Office. London SW1. September 1.

Balkan boundaries

From Mr Lewis Stretch

Sir. The outcome of the London conference on the former Yugoslavia. which endorsed agreements on the reform of refugees to their former homes (report, August 28) gives a glimmer of hope for the future of that troubled area.

British politicians have in the past shown an unrealistic and irrational dedication to internal boundaries barely tolerable under previous, now rejected, systems of government. That makes one wonder whether we are indeed the right people to help the Balkan peoples achieve a humane and permanent resolution of their ancient animosities.

There seems a grave danger that bureaucratic intransigence, aggravated by sectarian pressures, may leave similar problems festering to those that still plague India and Pakistan, Palestine and Cyprus after our withdrawal of the imperial umbrella that enabled diverse populations to live in peace with one another.

Any democratic entity, particularly those rejecting federal solutions for unitary states, demands a reasonable degree of consensus among its members. Boundaries of new states must be negotiated to achieve this, particularly internal arrangements imposed by a communist dictator like Tito.

As under the federal system there were many more Serbs living outside Serbia than non-Serbs living within it. any settlement must apparently increase the territory labelled Serbia. Earlier catch-phrases like "Greater Serbia", or "ethnic cleansing" (even though its end has seemingly been promised), still leave me apprehensive,

Yours faithfully. LEWIS STRETCH. 3 Laroc Close, Godmanchester, Cambridgeshire. August 28.

Down's screening

From Mrs L. A. Jones

Sir, I have recently had the standard AFP (alphafetoprotein) blood test, used to test for spina bifida and as an indicator of other possible foetal abnormalities, including Down's syndrome. Like Mr Davies (August 31) I am repelled by the idea of a "seek out and destroy" procedure. I agreed to the current tests, however, and would agree to the new Down's syndrome test, in order to know as much as possible about my unborn child.

Should the tests indicate abnormalities I would wish to be informed so that I could prepare for its care and development, to enable my child to have a happy and fulfilled life. If the tests were to reveal abnormalities undoubtedly condemning it to a nasty and miserable existence I would want to consider whether termination might be the more responsible decision to take on behalf of an already loved child.

Only the parents of an unborn child can make, and have the right to make, such a decision. Their ability to do so depends upon their receiving expert information and support from both medical and ethical advisers and is made possible by the increasing sophistication and accuracy of the ante-natal tests available.

Yours faithfully, L JONES, 44a Smugglers Way. Rhu, Dunbartonshire.

Politically correct Bard From Mr Cyril Fish

Sir, I note the euphemisms inserted into the text of Much Ado about Nothing by the Oxford Stage Company (Diary, August 21): "If I do not love her, I am a Jew" (which I am) is to become "If I do not love her, I am a fish", which I certainly am. I protest.

Yours sincerely, CYRIL FISH, 2 Argyle Road. Woodside Park, N12. -August 21



COURT CIRCULAR

KENSINGTON PALACE September 1: This morning the Prince of Wales, Duke of Corn-wall, received the Secretary of the Duchy (Mr David Landale)

Anniversaries

BIRTHS: John Howard, pioneer of prison reform. London, 1726: Giovanni Verga, dramatist, Catania. Sicily, 1840: Frederick Soddy, chemist and physicist, Eastbourne, 1877.

DEATHS: Thomas Telford, road, bridge and canal builder, London, 1834: Henri Rousseau, painter, Paris, 1910; Henry Lawson, Australian poet, 1922; John Ronald Tolkien, philologist and author of The Lord of the Rings, Bournemouth, Dorset, 1973; Sir Douglas Bader, 1982; Wladyslaw Gomulka, premier of Poland 1956-

The Great Fire of London began. lasting until the 6th, 1666.

Appointment

Geoffrey Alan Humphreys-Rob-erts to be a district judge at the St Helens, Southport and Wigan County Courts and the District Registry of the High Court at St Helens. Southport and Wigan with effect from September 21.

Birthdays today Kina Lady Avebury, sociologist, 58; Sir Peter Boon, former chairman, Hoover, 76; Baroness Brigstocke, 63.

Brigstocke, 03.

Dame Frances Campbell-Preston,
Lady in Waiting to Queen Elizabeth the Queen Mother, 74;
Professor Dame Barbara Clayton,
pathologist, 70; Mr Jimmy Connors, tennis player, 40; Professor
David Datches, former professor of English, 80.

Sir Arthur Drew, former chairman of the governing body, Queen Mary College, 80: Sir Öliver Forster, diplomat, 67; Sir Edward Goschen, former deputy chair-man, Stock Exchange Council, 79; Mr Michael Hastings, playwright,

54. Mr Leslie Hill, chairman, Central Television, 56; Air Marshai Sir Paul Holder, 81; Mr Norman Lessels, chairman, Standard Life Assurance, 54: Mr P.B. Lucas, former fighter pilot, MP, and golfer, 77; Sir Patrick Moberly, diplomat, 64; Sir Alexander Ross, former chairman, United Dominions Trust, 85: Sir Patrick Sheehy. chairman, BAT Industries, 62: Viscount Simon, 90; Mr Victor Spinetti, actor, 59; General Sir John Waters, 57; the Right Rev David Young. Bishop of Ripon,



Time to go: Philip Griffiths, the last principal keeper of the lighthouse on the isolated peninsula of Start Point in the Orkneys says goodbye to his home at the foot of the tower. The lighthouse is about to become automatic

Forthcoming marriages

Mr N.J. Banks and Miss R.J. Holden

the engagement is announced between Nigel, youngest son of Mr and Mrs D.R.J. Banks, of Ewshot, Farnham, Surrey, and Reberra. younger daughter of Mr and Mrs

T.L. Holden, of Eton, Berkshire. Mr J.R. Boyd and Miss V.C. Buswell

The engagement is announced between Jonathan, son of Mr and Mrs Robert Boyd, of Stoneygate, Leicester, formerly of Holywood, Co Down, and Virginia, daughter of Mr and Mrs Michel Buswell, of Blakeslev, Northamotonshire.

Mr F.W.B. d'Orey and Miss P.M. Bird

The engagement is announced between Francisco, eldest son of Mr and Mrs Fernando d'Orey, of Eugaria, Portugal, and Philippa, second daughner of Mr and Mrs Anthony Bird, of Sintra, Portugal. Mr R.F. Higgs and Miss M.A-M. Shekerdemian

The engagement is announced between Roland, son of Captain J.R.A. Higgs, of Streatley, Berk-shire, and Mrs Joan Higgs, of Kinshasa, Zaire, and Marcia, el-der daughter of Mr and Mrs Hrant Shekerdemian, of Esling, London

Mr C.G.C. HIII

London

and Miss A.J.E. Quinn The engagement is announced between Charles, son of Mr and Mrs Brian Hill, of Flax Hill, Ufton, Learnington Spa, and Jane. daughter of the Rev Arthur and Mrs Quinn, of The Vicarage, Shirley, Croydon.

and Miss R.E. Hill

and Miss K.E. Hill
The engagement is announced
between Robert Bentley, son of
Emily and Brian Loomes, of
Paneley Bridge, Yorkshire, and
Robina Elizabeth, daughter of
Marjorie and Robin Hill, of West
Kirtoy, Wirral.

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Mr D.J.F. Wright and Miss B.C. Bovill

and Miss B.C. Bowler
The engagement is announced
between Dermot, eldest son of Mr
and the late Mrs J.W. Wright, and
Bridger, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs John Bovill.

Marriages

Mr A. Strauss and Miss N. Hewitt

The marriage took place on Wednesday, August 26, in the Old City of Caesarea, Israel, between Mr Adi Strauss and Miss Nicolla Hewitt. The bride was attended by Mrs Anne Copp, Mrs Irit Koffler, Miss Elionor Koffler and Miss Noah Michal

The reception was held in the Old City and the honeymoon will be spent in the Far East. Dr M.C. Williams

and Miss I.M. Jaques
The marriage took place on August 29, 1992, in Winchester, between Michael Williams, elder son of Mrs Millie Williams and the late Mr Emlyn Williams, of Swansea, and Isobelle Jaques. younger daughter of Mrs Dora Jaques and the late Wing Com-mander John Jaques, of

School announcements

enenden School

Term starts today at Benenden School. Prospective Parents mornings will take place on September 12. and November 7 and 28. Sixth Form scholarship and entrance examinations will be held on November 19. Hemsted Forest Youth Orchestra will give a concert on November 28, at 7.30 pm.

Cheltenham College Term begins today at Cheltenham College and ends on Friday, December 18. For the first time, will be taught alongside the full A Level programme. Dominic Har-ding is Senior College Prefect: his two depunes are Matthew Gibson and Christopher Prain. The Memorial Service for Michael Hardey, teacher at the Junior School between 1967 and 1989, will be held at 11 am on Saturday.

October 3, in the College Chapel. The Sixth Form scholarship examinations and entry tests will take place on Friday and Saturday. November 6 and 7. Old Cheltonian Day is on Saturday, November 7. The College play On the Razzle will be performed in Big Classical between Wednesday and Saturday, December 2 and 5, at 7.30 pm. The Carol Service will be

held in Chapel at 4.30 pm on Friday, December 18.

Eton College Eton College opens today for the Michaelmas Half. With 268 new boys the total in the School is 1268. A.C. Roberts KS is Captain of the School and J.C. Hanbury OS Captain of the Oppidans.

Mr T.L. Holden is Lower Master and Dr J.A.F. Spence Master-in-College: Mr R.D.N. Topham and Mr P.S.T. Wright have taken The Eton Action Fair will be

held on Saturday, September 12, and Charter Day is September 26. There will be four performances of King Henry IV. Part 1, in the Farrer Theatre from October 19 to 22, and Long Leave will be from October 23 to November 1. There will be services of

Confirmation in College Chapel, conducted by the Rt Revd Richard Harries, Bishop of Oxford, on November 14 and 15. St Andrew's Day will be celebrated on Saturday, November 28, and the Carol Service will be on December

School closes on December 16. Exeter School Michaelmas Term begins on Thursday, September 3. Robert Moody is Head Boy and Captain of Rugby Football. Important dates are September 5: Old Exonian Day; October 15: Speech Day - Speaker, Sir John Hannam, MP: November 25-28: School Play - Don The Rose of Eviting December 10 and 15 Eyam: December 10 and 11: Christmas Concerts. Term ends on

December 18.

King Edward's School, Witley The Treasurer, Mr Ian Allan, and Governors admitted new boarders to King Edward's School, Witley at the Admissions Court held in Guildhall on Tuesday, September 1. The Michaelmas Term begins today. Stephen Buder is Head Boy and Sarah Bird, Head Girl. Former pupils who were at school during the 1950's will hold a reunion dinner on Saturday, September 19 and full details are available on request. Term will end with the Carol Services on Sat-

Mariborough College The Michaelmas Term at Mari-borough College begins today. Mr P.J. Butler, CBE, has succeeded Mr D.C. Hobson, CBE, as Chairman of the College Council. The Right Hon Peter Brooke, CH. PC, MP, becomes a new member of

urday. December 12.

becomes Chairman of the Coun-cil's Finance Committee. Mr Tony Foley succeeds Mr Brian Williams as Housemaster of Summerfield. and Mrs Julie McNamara succeeds Miss Janet Limrick as Housemistress of Morris House. Mr Alan McKnight becomes Head of Biology and Mr David Smith Head of General Studies. Mr Vincent Stokes joins as Head of Art. Other new members of staff are Miss Louise Playfair (Classics), Mr Richard Williams (Geography) and Mile Laurence Pache (French

assistante). Bronte Flecker (New Court) is Senior Prefect, Giles Haycock (Littlefield) Captain of School and Jenny Gauge (Elm-hurst) Captain of Girls' Hockey. Reunion Day, for Old Mariburians at the College between 1960 and 1969, is October 10 and the Mariburian Chib Annual Dinner is on November 18. The school play will be The Taming of the Shrew on Novem-ber 20, 21 and 22. The Scholarship examinations for boys and girls wishing to enter the Sixth Form in September 1993 will be on November 23 and 24, and the closing date for entries is October

1. Exeat is from October 24 to

November 8, and term ends on

Nonsuch High School, Cheam Autumn term begins on Thursday, September 3. There will be 250 girls in the Smith Form. Melissa

Parnell is Head Girl and Kirsten Hylton is Captain of School. Melissa Harn and Victoria Jeffries are Deputy Head Girls. Sixth Form Leavers' Evening is December 14, and the Old Girls' Association meet on September 24, when pupils of the 60's will be particu-larly welcome. Christmas Music larly welcome. Christmas Music and Drama Evenings will be December 15 and 16. Term ends

on December 18.

Sedbergh School The Michaelmas Term at Sedbergh School begins on Thursday, September 3, 1992. The Head of School is Jamie A.C. Whittle. Old Sedberghian Day will be held on Saturday, October 24. The Wavell Wakefield Memorial March (v Lorento) takes place on Saturday, November 28. The following have gained awards to the School from September 1992: Academic Scholarships: J.P. Capstick.

School Iram September 1992:
Academie Scholarshige: J.R. Capstick,
Cressbrook House: R.B. Wild, St Mary's
School. Melrose: P. Farrier-Price,
Kingsmead School: M.J. Tickle, Malsts

et Scholarships: H.W.C. Thomas. The

The Cathedral Choir School, Ripon.
Massic Exhibitions: T.A. Hind, Cressbrook
House: B.T.A. Rawlinson, Cressbrook
House: M.R. Rapadi, Cressbrook House:
H.H.G. Morris, Cressbrook House.

Art Scholarships: S.R.W.B. Hurcomb. Cresstrook House: T.D.J. Royle, Malsis School; H.C.J. Warson, Cundall Manor School;

Sixth Form Scholarship: G.T.S. Garland. Sedbergh School.

Trevor-Roberts'

Autumn Term begins at the TRTC today. Rollo Jackson and Helen Mounsey-Thear are the Head Seniors. The plays are on December 2 and 3 and the term ends on

Warwick School

DEATHS

STILL - On August 29th, peacefully at home. Healther Mary, beloved wife of John and dear mother of Sally. Jennifer. Graeme and Charles and much loved grandroither to her five grandchildren. Funeral Service at Guildford Crematorium on Monday September 7th at 3 pm. Flowers to G.M. Luff & Partners. 84 Uon Lane. Hastemere. Surrey GU27 LJH. Her favourite charity was The World Wild Life Fund.

WALKER - On Augusi 26th. In St Austell, Cornwall, Sylvia Patricia. aged 77. Funeral private.

WARDROP - On August 27th

WARDROP - On August 27th
1992. Muriel Amy, efter a
brief iffness, aged 96 years.
Funeral Service at the Mid
Warwickshire Crematorium.
Oakley Wood, on Tuesday
Seplember 8th at 2 pm.
Family flowers only but if
destred donations may be
sent to Save the Children
Fund. c/o H.J. Dawson, The
Funeral Directors, 22 George
Street. Leamington Spa.
CVS1 1ET.

Street. Lear CV31 1ET.

Michaelmas Term begins today. Speech Day is on Thursday, October 22, when the Guest of Honour will be Sir Raymond Hoffenberg. Old Warwickian Weekend is Saturday and Sunday, December 5 and 6. Mr Tim Hoyle takes over as Head of Physical Education from Mr Ken Free-born, retiring after 35 years. The Head of School is Andrew Jordan.

ster School The school year begins today at the Great School and on September 8

Under School. Mr G. Ashton takes up his appointment as Master of the Under School; Mr T.P. Francis becomes Registrar of the Great School. Mr Maurice Lynn returns to the Great School staff; Dr J.R.G. Beavon joins the Great School as Head of Science, and Mr S.F. Adams as Head of Physics, Miss Rachel Allen, MrW.A. Cotton, Mr Rachel Allen, Mr W.A. Cotton, Mr S. Craft, Mr R.K. Davies, Dr F.M.R. Ramsey and Mr K.J. Spencer are also joining the Great School staff. J. Allison is appointed Praefectus and M.J. Sergeant (Wren's) is Princeps Oppidanorum. The Elizabethan Club Dinner is on September 17. Performances of Mozart's The Magazing of Figure will be given.

921 members of the School, 651

in the Great School and 270 in the

Marriage of Figaro will be given on September 23, 25, 28 and 30 up School, and of Chekov's Three Sisters on December 2, 3, and 4. Exeat is from October 17 to November 2. The School Concert takes place on November 30, and the Brock Lecture on November 7. The School Carol Service is in Westminster Abbey on December 15. Play Term ends on December

Wrekin Coilege

School is Russell Mooney (Tudor) and the Head Girl is Joanna Chubb (Clarkson). Mr Philip Berry takes over as Housemaster o Clarkson House. The refurbishment of the Library has been completed and the new clothing and bookshop will be available for use by Half-Term. The Charity Fete takes place on Sunday, September 13 and the rugby and hockey teams from Craigsbrook School, Chile, arrive for the weekend of September 18/19. The Merchant of Venice will be performed from November 18 - 21 and on Saturday, November 28, there will be a recital in the Centenary Theatre by Bryan Harper (baritone) and Graham Kirkland (piano) in aid of Leukae mia research. The Gilbert and Sullivan Society will perform Trial by July as part of a Victorian Double Bill in the Christmas concerts on December 8 and 9.

at Wrekin College. The Head of

There is an Open Day for prospective pupils and their par-ents on Sunday October 4 and details of Sixth Form entry and awards are available from the Headmaster's Secretary (0952 240131). Term ends with the

iQD is appointed to act as the Qualified insolvency Practifioner who will furnish creditors with such information as they may reasonably require Dated this 27th day of August 1992
BY ORDER OF THE BOARD T J WOOD, DIRECTOR

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

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if you, Lord, should keep account of sins, who could hold his ground? But with you is forgiveness, so that you may be revered. Psalm 130:3,4

AMDERSON - On August 21st in Washington DC. to Rosemary (nee Kinnest and the late George, a son, George Beattle, a brother for George Beattle, a brot Victoria and Charles. BEDDINGTON - On Augus

BUDGE - On Salurday August 29th al Stepping Hill Hospital Stockport, to Colleen tree White: and Keytin. a daughter, Kalle Louise CAIGER-SMITH - On August 28th, to Jane and Michelas. a CALDER On August 27th, to Clare thee Hartindon) and Julian, a son, Sam Frederick

Haringion
CHAIN - On August 15th. in
New York. to Meira ince
Ehash) and Daniel. a son.
Yuxal Haim. a brother for
Naday and grandson for
Riykah and Shiemo Ellash
(Giya'layim. Israel; and for
the lale Prof Sir Ernst and
the late Lady Chaits.

the late Lady Chain.

CLARKE - On August 26th
1992, to Catherine (nee
Stirk) and Robert, a
daughter, Harriet Bealrice, a
steler to Eleanor
DIXON - On August 24th
1992 to Sharon (nee Massey)
and Malin, a gaughter,
Megan, a safer for Hannah
68570N - On August 27th to

Megan, a sister for Hannah EASTON - On August 27th, to Antonia rice Higgs; and Mark, a daughter, Eliza Rose Erskine a sister for Flora ERIXON - On August 25th, to

Ashryn
FALCONER - On August 28th.
Io Marie-Christine ince
Dur tilardi and Giles, a
daughler, Veronique Laura
Carottin, a sister lo Adrian. FALLOWS - On August 15th. to Tessa (nee Jackson) and

FRAPPELL - On August 29th. GIBSON - On August 29th, to Lori nete Miniz) and William, a daughter, Sarah Claire, a sister (or Maithew

JONES - On July 13th at West London Hospital, to Robert London Hospital, 10 moort and Lindsey thre Torri, a daughter, Sophie Alexandra Alice, a sister for Kalle. LAIDLAW - On August 27th 1992. to Deborah tnee Morris-Adams; and Sam. 2

LESLIE-MELVILLE - On August 29th, to Julia and

LLOYD - On August 30th 1992. Io Susanna (ne Malihews) and Christopher a son. Jonalhan Robin. MacRAE - On August 24th

Christopher Someried.

MeWHIRTER - On August.

28th 1992 at Queen
Chartolle's to Sareh Infe
Fraseri and Anthons a son.
Theo Alexander a brother
for Katherine.

MOORE - On August 27th, to
Angela and Matthew, a
beautiful son. William James, a brother for Eleanor. Deo Grațias

NICHOLSON - On September 1st, to Saily (née Dickman) and Tom, a daughter. Clementine Victoria to Hilary and Antony, a son. Joshua, brother to Augustus. OMAR - On June 30th, to Lynne spee Gliberti and Joe. PARKINSON - On August 24th, to Shelagh (nec Sands)

Ruth
REXSHUN - On August 31st.
In Chicago, to Harry and
Dolly inte Onboatt a son.
Hugh Gec.
RILEY - On August 29th, at
Greenwich. To Nicola and
Martin a daughter Alexandra
Nathalie Jane, a sister for
William and Charlotte. WADHAM - On August 27th 1992, to Shirley and Julian, a son. Thomas Wyndham, a brother for William.

WEEKES - On August 26th 1992. to Alexandra mee Lanet and Robert, Iwin sons, Edward Huw and Thomas James. James.
WILLIAMSON - On August
28th, to Brenda (née Nolan)
and Peter, a son Josef Daniel.

SILVER ANNIVERSARIES

MoMAHON:MUIR-SIMPSON - On 2nd September 1967, at Kippen Parish Church. Stirlingshire. Hugh to Katherine. Now at 92 Salthill. Monkstown, Co. Dublin

AMES - On August 29th
1992, Phyllis Vera, daughter
of the late Eustece and
Gertrude Ames, formerly of
Surbiton, much loved by her
friends by whom she will be
sadly missed. No flowers
please but donations, if
desired at her wish, may be
sent to Guide Dogs for the
Blind Association, c/o Miss
M Parker, I Alinora Close,
Goring-by-Sea. Worthing,
BN12 4LT.
ARMITAGE - On August 31st CASEMENT - On August 29th 1992. Enid. beloved and darting wife of Roy for 53 years and dearly loved mother of Simon and Charles, Funeral at Terwick Church on Friday September 4th at 3 pm followed by private burial. Family flowers only.

ARMITAGE - On August 31st ARMITAGE - On August 31st 1992, peacefully at Thames Bank Nursing Home. Philip Michael Armitage. Funeral Service 2.30 pm on Monday Seplember 7th at St Bartholomew's Church. Nettlebed, Oxon. Flowers if desired to C.H. Lovegrove Ltd.. 114 Oxford Road. Readling, Berks.

RARNISTEY - On August 31st

Reading, Berks.

BARNSLEY - On August 31st 1992, Thomas Edward, OBE, aged 72 years. A greatly loved and respected man. Funeral Service at 2. Sopm Friday September 4th at St Elidan Parish Church, Llanelidan, near Ruthin. Clwyd. Family flowers only. Donallons if desired to Action for Somalia Appeal. UNICEF. Room QQ3, Freepost, Chelmsford. CM2 8BR.

BENTON - On August 28th. BENTON - On August 28th. peacefully after a long liness. Peggie, aged 85, much loved wife of Kenneth mother of Sam, Mark and Tim, grandmother and great-Tim, grandmother and great-grandmother. Funeral in Chichester Cathedral on Friday September 4th at 11.15 am. followed by cremation ifamily only). Friends welcome afterwards at home. Family flowers only, but donations may be sent if desired to The Friends of the Lira Foundation. of which Peggie was President. at The Old Cottage. School Dell. West Ashling. West Sussex. PO18 8EB.

Dell. West Ashling. Sussex, PO18 8EB.

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GHESHIRE - On August 31st.
peacefully at Westacre
Nursing Home, Winchester,
Mary Lady Cheshire D.L.
aged 71. Widow of Air Chief
Marshal Sir Walter Cheshire
G.B.E., K.C.B., A.D.C.,
R.A.F. Cremation private
Service of Thanksgiving at
The Chapel of St. Cross,
Winchester, on Monday
September 7th at 2.30 pm.
Family flowers only please,
donations, if desired, to
Motor Neurone Disease
Avoctation c/o Jno Steel &
Son Utd., Chesil House,
Winchester SQ23 8HU. COLEY - On August 27th 1992 peacefully at his home in Bedford, Denys Joseph Coley F.C.A. aged 87 years. Beloved husband of Katherine Marth. A much loved father and grandfather. All further enquiries please to Arnolds Funeral Service. Roff Avenue. Bedford, MK41 7TE, let: (C234) 359529.

BULLICK - On September 1st 1992. al The Stables. Torsonce. Stow by Galashles. Scotland. Jack, husband of Helen Bullick. A dearly loved father and grandfather. Funeral private.

COULSON - On Sunday
August 30th, Horace Owen
Harrison, peacefully in
London, husband of
Winifred, father of Shelegh,
Charles, Andrew and
Francis, Family funeral,
Memorial Service to be
arranged.

DEATHS COX - On August 30th, at home, Edward Machell Cox. Squadron Leader RAF retired. Father of Jane and John and a loving granditaline. Funeral Service at Amersham Crematorium. Thursday September 3rd at 1 pm. No Gosers but done. BIRD - On August 29th, at Ashurst Place Rest Home. Leslie Robert William, aged 84. dear brother of Rosemary Stuart Hunter. Rosemary Stuart Hunter.

BOOTH - On August 28th
1992, peacefully at The
Royal Marsden Hospital.
Sulton, after a short litness.
Rosemary Frances. aged 42 of Belmont. Sutton. dearly
loved wife of Laurie, mother of Simon and David.
daughter of John and Doreen
Allen and sister of Philip
Funeral at St. John's Church,
Belmont. on Friday
September 4th at 12.30 pm.
Family flowers only. but donations it desired to The
Institute of Cancer Research.
c/o Alfred Smith Funeral
Directors, 3024 Wrythe Lane.
Carshalton. SM5 1AF.
Enguirtes to 1081: 644-967.
BOUCHER - On August 28th. Thursday September 3rd at 1 pm. No flowers but donations for RAF Benevolent Fund, c/o Mairolm Jones & Melcaife. 284 High Street. Berkhamsted. Herts. HP4 1AM, tel: 004421 854548.

perknamsted. Hers. HiraJAM. tel: (0442) 864548.

DAVENPORT - On August
30th 1992. Denis Guy Orme.
after Iliness borne with great
fortitude. Much loved and
fortitude. Much loved and
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fortitude. Much loved and
fritilippa. Services on
Monday September 7th at 5t.
Mary's Abbotts Ann 11.00
am and St. Nicholas'.
Studiand 3.00 pm.

DOBSON - On August 28th.
suddenly and pracefully in
Battle Hospillal. Reading.
Bridget. wildow of Jack, aged
92 years. much loved by all
the family and friends.
Requirem Mass to take place
on Thursday September 3rd
at 11 am at Corpus Christi
Church. Wokingham. Berics.
Flowers or donalions to Sue
Ryder Foundation c/o J.B.
Hali. 142 Finchampstead
Road. Woringham. Berks.
RGI1 1JN. 107341 793623
GALTON - On August 27th BOUCHER - On August 28th. Mary Jessie. aged 75. in Hernet Hempstead Hospital. Funeral service at St Barthol-omews, Wigginton. Near Tring at 3,30pm Thursday 3rd September BOWER - On August 28th, peacefully at home. Helen mee Cruickshankt, dearly loved wife of Ronald, beloved mother of Anne Alison and Robert, and adored grandmother of Thomas. James. Charlotte and Josephine She will be greatly missed by her family and many friends. Funeral private No flowers please, but donations, if destred, to North London Hospice. 47 Woodside Avenue. London N12 BTF

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GALTON - On August 27th
1992. Dorothy aged 90
years, peacefully in her sleep
at home in Sheringham.
Private cremation.
Donations in memoriam if
desired may be sent for The
Medical Foundation for The
Care of Victims of Torture.
96/98 Grafton Road, London
NWS 3YP. 'Flowers are for
the living'.

GOODSELL - On August 28th 1992, peacefully in a nursing home, Peter: aged 70 years, formerty of Honywood Road. Colchester. Funeral Service on Thursday September 10th at ChristChurch. Ireton Road. Colchester at 10.15am. followed by cremation. No flowers please. Donations if desired to St Helena Hospice. C/o W.H. Shepphard Funeral Directors. 93-94 High St. Colchester.

HIBBS - On August 27th in hospital. Victor David. aged 66 years. Doorly loved husband of Sarah. father of Alexander and Benjamin and grandfather of Evangelene Funeral Service at Christ Church. Esher. on Friday September 4th at 11.30 am followed by private cremation Family flowers only, but donations if desired to Cancer Research.

HOWARD - On August 31st.

LI. Col. FC W. (Freddy)
Reld, at the Cambridge
Military Hospital. Aidershot.
Beloved husband of Prue.
Much loved feither and
grandfaither. Funeral at St.
John's Church. Hale.
Farnham. on Monday
September 7th at 12 noon.
Cut flowers or donations to
Cancer Research Flowers
and enquiries to Farnham
funeral Service. tel: 102521
711444.

INGRAM-JOHNSON - On August 29th 1992, suddenty in Southampion General Hospital, whilst on holiday, six days before her Bith birthday. Kathleen Edith, dearly loved mother of Shella and Peter and grand-mother of Michael Janua Shella and Peter and grand mother of Michael, Janis and Timothy. Funeral private and no flowers please, but donalloas may be sent to Save the Children Fund

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JEVONS - On August 30th

JEVONS - On August 30th, peacefully after a long illness. Philip, beloved thisband of Virty and adored father of Mark. Nicola, Jeremy. Kerry. Tammy. Robert, Dominic. Philippa, Ben and Rebecca. Funeral Service at St Michael's Church. Chagford. on September 4th 11 am. all welcome. Family Inowers. Donations to Marie Curie Cancer Care and Rowcroft Hospice. Torquay.

JONES - On August 29th at Mount Advernia Hospital. Guidiford after a long tilness borne with great courage. David Vaughan. Ioving and beloved husband of Jovce. devoted father of Lynda. Hillary. Peter and Martin. Funeral Service 3 pm Friday September 4th at Woking Crematorium. No flowers please, but it desired voluntary donations to Cancer Research JOSEPH - On August 30th.

peacefully, Lity, aged 86 Mother of David, Ann Kennard and Helen Palba-Loved by all her family.

DEATHS

MAIDEN - On August 31sl. Nancy (Joko) nee Robertson, quietly in her 97th year widow of Sydney Maiden. Artist. Cremation at Putney Vale on September 4th at 12 noon.

noon.

MARTIN - On September 1st.

Minna Martin. aged 91
years. formerly of
Effingham. Dear widow of
Jake and a much loved aumi
and greal-aumi. Funeral on
Tuesday September 8th at
12.30 pm at 8t Lawrence.
Effingham. Family flowers
only.

Effingham. Family flowers only.

MILLAN - On August 28th 1992. William John aged 71 years. of Coring-by-Sea. Husband of Marguerite. dear father of Susan and Shella and father in-law of Tim and Ylannt and leving grandfather of Thomas. Andrew, Ariemis, Jocasla. Thyone and Maximiliam. Funeral Service at St. Columba's Church. Worthing, on Thursday September 3rd 1992 at 2.30 pm followed by private cremation. Family flowers only but donations if desired to St. Barnabas Hospice c/o H.D. Tribe Lid. 130 Broadwater Road. Worthing. let: (0903) 234616.

MOODY - On August 31st.

iei: (0903) 234616.

MOODY - On August 31sl.
John William Moody O.B.E.
Q.P.M. K.St.J. Former
Arting Chief Constable of
Lancashire Constable of
Lancashire Constable of
Boilon Borough Enquiries
please to W.H. Hull. 81
Church Road. Tarrieton.
Lancs. Iei. (0772) 812409.

MOORE On Saturday of Cheltenham and late of Weybridge and Wallon. Surrey. Requiren in The Priory Church of Si Gregory the Great Chellenham, on Friday September 4th at 9.30am followed by interment at Weybridge Cemetery at 1pm. Enquiries to Mason & Stokes (0242): 224877.

MURRAY - On August 29th. Jane, at home. Funeral will take place at the Church of the Holy Trinity.

take place at the Church of the Holy Trinity. Hurstpierpoint. West Sussex. at 2.30 pm on Thursday September 3rd. Donations if desired to St Catherine's Hospice. c/o P & S Gallogher. Fraser House. Triangle Road. Haywards Heath. Sussex. tel: 104441.

DAKLEY - On August 27th.
Deryn Mary tnee Arklet.
after a short tilness. Much
loved wife of Walter and
sister of Giynn, Dennys.
James and Cilve. Funeral
Service at Golders Green
Crematorium. Thursday
September 3rd at 2.40 pm.
Family flowers only please.
PARTRIDGE - On August
31st. suddenly al home after
a long illness bravely borne.
Joan Partridge OBE. dearly
loved wife of Richard. dear
mother of Barrie. Roy and
Cilve. and proud Nana of
Mark. Service at West Herts
Crematorium. Carston. on
Monday September 7th at
12.30 pm Family flowers
only. but donations if desired
to Dacorum Macmillan
Nurses. 35 Sawyers Way,
Hemel Hempstead, Herts.
PENROSE - On August 29th

Fund.

STROUD - On August 29th.
peacefully at St Michael's
Hospice. Lionel John, aped
92 years. Beloved husband of
the late Tish. Much loved
father of Ann and
grandfather of Martan and
John. Funeral Service at St
Michael's Church.
Basingstoke, on Tuesday
September 8th at 11 am, followed by private cromation.
Family flowers only, but
donations if desired for St
Michael's Hospice.
Busingstoke. All enquiries
c/o Alexander & Dry. 1 Seal
Road. Busingstoke, 1et:
(0256) 844663. PENROSE - On August 29th PENROSE - On August 29th 1992. Peacecuity at home after a long tilners borne with great courage. David Coronwy, aged 55. Beloved husband of Jill and father of John and Jane. Service of Thanksgiving Woolpit Church. Friday Soplember 4th at 3.15 pm followed by private cremation. Family flowers only please but donations if desired to Stowmarket and District Canter Support Group or Marie Curie Cancer Care may be sent c/o L. Fulcher. 80 Whiting Street, Bury St. Edmunds.

PRESTON - On August 29th, peacefully at St Christopher's PRESTON - On August 29th, peacefully at St Christopher's Hospice. Sydenham. Rhoda aged 83. dearly beloved wife of John Funeral Mass to be held at St Edmund's Church. Beckenham. on Tuesday September 8th at 10 am. to be followed by cremation. Family flowers only but donations if desired to St Christopher's Hospice. Lawrie Park Road. Sydenham SE26.

Sydenham SE26.

PRIDEAUX - On August 14th.
peacefully. Frances Hester
Dorothy Ansitee Francescat.
Funeral Service at Si
Thomas Church. Lymington.
on Friday September 11th at
1.30 pm. Flowers and
enquiries to Diamond & Son,
Funeral Directors.
Lymington, tel: (0590)
672060.

PROSSER - On August 27th.

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PROSSER - On August 27th.
Naurice Clifford, aged 73,
greatly loved by wife Freta,
children Ryan. Ian. Molra
and Hermione. grandchildren Penny. Ben and Nigel.
Sarah and Joanna. Mailhew
and Polly. Cass and Joe.
Funeral Sorvice September
3rd ol 3,45 pm at the West
Suffolk Cremaiorium. Bury
SI Edmunds No flowers,
donations to the Paridinsons
Disease Society c/o C.G.
Baker & Son. 27 College
Sireel. Bury SI Edmunds.

QUINN - On Thursday August paker & Son, 27 College Sireel, Bury SI Edmunds.

QUINN - On Thursday August 27th 1992, peacefully after a short Illness in hospital. Bernard Terence Terry aged 70 years, of Newcastle-under-Lyme, Staffs. The dearly lowed husband of Teresa. No flowers donations please Enquiries: Sail & Son Fumeral Directors, Bridge Street, Newcastle-under-Lyme, Staffs. (0782) 617073.

SHELVEY - On August 21st 1992. In hospital. Betty Howard Lushington of Ewhurst Oreen, East Sussex, seed 83 years. Service at SI James Church, Ewhurst, on Monday September 7th at 2pm followed by cremation. Donations If desired io R.N.L.I. or St James Church, Ewhurst, c/o C. Waterhouse & Sons, High Street, Burwash, E. Sussex, let: 104351 882219

Chellenham, (0242) 525383.

WILSON - On August 28th, peacefully at home. Oswy Errington, aged 86 years, former Registrar of the Diocese of Ripon. of Raughmere Green, East Lavanl. Chichester. Dearly loved husband of Ellnor Alholi, much loved father of Alholi, much loved father of Alholi, Evan. Alexandra, Robert and Juliel, and loving grandfather. Service of Thanksgiving at St. Mary's Church. East Lavanl. on Friday September 4th at 2,30pm, followed by privale cremotion.

MEMORIAL SERVICES LOWNDES - A Service of Thanksgiving for the tife of Carmel June Lowndes will be held at St Mary's Church. Hambleden, nr. Hedley on-Tharnes, on Thursday 24th September at 2.30 pm. All welcome for tea in the parish rooms afterwards.

SANCTUARY - Brian Nigel.
JP. A Thanksgiving Service
will be held on Wednesday
September 30th at 2 pm at St will be held on Wednesday September 30th at 2 pm at St. Mary the Virgin. The Green. Datchel, for a celebration of the life of Brian Sanctuary. The absolutely adored and irreplaceable husband of Brenda, devoted father of Charlotte and Siobhan, beloved son of the late Dr. J.C.T. Sanctuary and Maisso Sanctuary and devoted brother of Corald. Private funeral. Enquiries (091) 675-1314.

LEGAL NOTICES MIM HOLDINGS

LIMITED AUSTRALIA 4000
Notice is hereby given in accordance with Article 49 of the Company's Articles of Assortation, that at the Annual General Meeting of the Company on November 12, 1992 at Brisbene, Australia an election of Directors shall be held. D M. Munro Secretary and General Counsel

The Christmas Term starts today Carol Service on December 12.

rooms afterwards.

PATTERSON - A Service of Thanksgiving for the Life and Wilness of The Righi Reverend Cedi J Patterson CMG: CBE: DD: MA. former Archbishop of West Africa. will be held at Southwark Cathedrai on Thursday 24th September 1992 at 2.30 pm.

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WARREN - On August 26th, Margaret Rosemary Warren, wife of the late Li. Col. Charles Warren. The funeral service will take place al Cheltenham Crematorium Chaple on Friday September 4th at 2 pm. Family flowers only please. Enquiries to Selim Smith & Co. Cheltenham, (0242) 525-83.

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Lavani. Chichesier. Dearly joved husband of Elinor Atholi. Evan. Alexandra. Robert and Juliet. and loving grandfather. Service of Thanksgiving at Si Mary's Church. East Lavani. on Friday September 4th at 2.30pm, followed by private cremotion.

WOOLF - On August 27th. peacefully after a long fight against cancer, Valerie Ann. dearly loved wife of Martyn, mother of Carolon, Jeffrey, Jane and David and grandmother of Natalie and Miest YEATMAN - On August 29th. Craham N. Yeatman T.D.. D.L. devoted husband of the late Luiu, loving father of Anthony and the late Jill. proud grandfather of Belinda and Graham. Sometime High Sheriff of Dorset. Chairman of Poole Magistrate. Governor of Blundell's, Funct. Service at SI James Church. Poole. on Monday September 7 th at 2.30 pm. Family flowers only. But donallons. If wished, lo SI James Church Fabric Fund. C/O Charles Small and Son Funeral Directors. 15 West Street. Wimborne. Dorset.

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SECTION - PAGE 9 WORD WATCHING MOBBY

(b) A spiritnous liquor made from the batata or sweet potato, from the Carib mabi batata: "This as we call mobby is only potatoes boiled, and then pressed as hard as they can till all the juice is gone root into fair water, and after three hours this is good

EXENNIUM (a) A New Year's present, from the Latin er out of + annut the year: "Queen Elizabeth was ever avaricious and child-like in her desire for shiny banbles as an exemium from her favourites and

courtiers."
SMABBLED (b) Also snabbled, killed in battle, slang, orig. obsc.: "Smabble, to kill in battle, to rifle, to strip or plander, also to knock down, to cause to reel or stagger by a Blow on the Head. Smabbled is also used sometimes for being apprehended, seized or taken." A word so various in its semantics is actually pretty damp useless for everyday work.

FYKE (b) A long, bag-shaped fishnet held open by hoops, used for catching fish, especially shad, from the Dutch fulk: "They discovered a sea-dog stealing hass from a fyke of a bass-net."









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gory. Many of these students

now occupy senior positions in

academia or industry around

His interest in education

spanned all levels, however,

and it is noteworthy that he

made the facilities of the

computing laboratory avail-able to local schoolchildren in

1966; some of the "graduates"

from these classes later helped

write one of the very first books

on computing in school mathematics. During this period he

also undertook several initia-

tives to acquaint British indus-

trial leaders with the ever-

increasing power of direct

numerical methods for solving

problems arising in engineer-

Fox became a fellow of

Balliol College in 1963 (and

subsequently emeritus fellow),

and an honorary fellow of the

Institute of Mathematics and

its Applications (IMA) in

1989. Other major honours

included an IMA symposium

at the Royal Society, London on "The Contributions of L.

Fox to Numerical Analysis"

(1983), and an honorary dec-

torate from the Open Univer-

Perhaps the honour that

gave him most satisfaction

was the Leslie Fox Prize set up

by the IMA for young re-

searchers in numerical analy-

sis. The prize, which is

international, has been

awarded biennially since in

1985. The list of winners is

essentially a Who's Who of the

next generation of world lead-

ers in this now greatly-expand-

throughout his life. He played

football for Oxford University

and Oxford City. At NPL and

Oxford he excelled at cricket

athletics and tennis. Later he

took up golf and was one of

the organisers of the Oxford and Cambridge senior golf match, which has been held

annually since 1980. Fox being the Oxford captain

throughout.
In addition to sports, he and his wife shared an abiding

love for walking the fells in the

Lake District, and also classi-

cal music, especially that of Beethoven. He is survived by

Fox was a keen sportsman

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OBITUARIES

LESLIE FOX

Leslie Fox. formerly professor of numerical analysis and director of the computing laboratory at Oxford University, died on August 1 aged 73. He was born on September 30, 1918.

LESLIE Fox was one of the world leaders in the remarkable explosion in numerical analysis that took place during and after the second world war. His fundamental research continued throughout his career, and in later years he became an outstanding teacher and expositor. He was author, or co-author, of eight books and 86 papers on numerical analysis.

His interest in mathematics was aroused whilst he was a pupil at Wheelwright Grammar School in Dewsbury, Yorkshire. At Christ Church, Oxford, he was awarded a first-class degree in mathemat-ics in 1939, followed by an MA and then a DPhil in 1942. His thesis was on relaxation methods, with Professor Sir Richard Southwell as supervisor. In 1956 he was awarded the DSc degree.

Fox held three permanent appointments in his career, each of considerable influence. He began in the Admiralty Computing Service (ACS) in 1943-45, followed by the mathematics division of the National Physical laboratory (NPL) in 1945-56, and lastly Oxford University in 1957-83, where he was the first director of the newly-formed computg laboratory, and later (1963) professor of numerical



analysis. He also held appointments as visiting professor at the universities of California Berkeley). Illinois, iubliana and the Open

At the ACS he quickly made his mark by the brilliant niques, learned from the leader D. H. Sadler, to engineering problems of relaxation: this culminated in an eminently practical tool for the solution of partial differential equations. At NPL (and later Oxford) he made fundamental advances in the solution of ordinary differential equations, particularly two-point boundary-value problems, as well as in linear algebra, approximation theory and integral equations. Much of this research was performed in the days before automatic com-

Yvon Briant

cian and Euro-MP, was killed recently with his wife and son in an air crash in Corsica. He Briant joined the non-party parliament.

National Centre of Independent Politicians (CNI) in 1985 YVON Briant, French politiand was elected to parliament in 1986. At the time of his death he was president of the CNI and a European Democrat member of the European

REAR-ADM SIR KENNETH BUCKLEY

Rear-Admiral Sir Kenneth Buckley, KBE, a former director of naval engineering, died on August 28 aged 88. He was born on May 24. 1904.

principles of rigorous check-KENNETH Buckley was At Oxford Fox fought a lucky to escape with his life vigorous, and successful, battle when HMS Repulse was sunk to introduce numerical analyby Japanese aircraft off the sis into the mathematics cur-Malayan coast on December 10, 1941. A lieutenant-comriculum, and in doing so set a precedent that other universimander aged 37, he was ties in the country soon folserving as torpedo officer in lowed. It is entirely fitting that the 25-year-old battle cruiser he should have been the first when, together with the new professor of numerical analybattleship Prince of Wales, it was attacked by up to 80 twin-During his tenure at the engined bombers from the computing laboratory 70 stu-dents were awarded the DPhil

at Saigon. The two big ships and their four escorting destroyers had been trying to intercept a number of Japanese troop transports, in the hope of forestalling further landings in Malaya, when they were themselves caught 70 miles out at sea without air cover.

As the stricken Repulse went down Buckley, who was struggling in the oily water, was sucked back into the hull where he was trapped inside a seaplane hangar on the upper deck. He would certainly have perished, had not the hangar roof suddenly collapsed, allowing him to swim for his life towards one of the screening destroyers, HMS Electra. Clad only in a pyjama jacket and grey flannel trousers, he took charge of a large group of ratings who had survived and was subsequently mentioned in dispatches for the role he played in the hours following

the disaster. It was almost a case of jumping from the fire into the frying pan. Back in Singapore, the survivors faced an almost equally terrifying threat as Japanese forces attacked the supposedly impreg-nable British base. A bullet actually shattered Buckley's car windscreen as the enemy advanced towards the mainland causeway. But once more he was lucky to get away, evacuated in the destroyer

Cyril Stanley Smith, a

British-born scientist who

played a prominent role

in the construction of the

first atomic bomb, died of

cancer at his home in

Cambridge,

25 aged 88. He was born

in Birmingham on October 4, 1903.

CYRIL Smith was only 21

years old when he went to the United States: a newly-fledged

graduate from the University

of Birmingham. Two years later, in 1926, he had gained

his doctorate in science at the

Massachusetts Institute of

Technology, and had made

His career took a sudden

turn with the entry of the US

into the second world war.

Naturalised two years before, he was called upon to join the

Manhattan Project at Los Alamos, where he directed the

preparation of enriched urani-

um and plutonium for the

atomic bomb, as well as other

materials for nuclear

America his home.

HMS Scout which was one of the last warships to leave port. The central part of his career still lay ahead of him. Promot-

ed to commander on reaching this country, he was made executive officer of the wartime torpedo school HMS Marlborough at Eastbourne from 1943 until 12 months after the war was over. He was then transferred to the navy's newly created electrical branch and given the responsibility for the large building programme at HMS Collingwood, the branch's headquarters at Fareham. After serving as the first executive officer at Collingwood he was promoted captain and made fleet electrical officer with the Home Fleet, based first in the carrier Implacable and then the bat-

In 1950 he was given command of the electrical

rience that sent him off on a

new track when he returned to

the academic world in 1946,

becoming founding director

of the Institute for the Study of

Metals at the University of

Chicago. He turned from the

employment of science as a

means of mass destruction to a

study of the relationship be-

tween human beings and

their materials, advancing the

use of metallography in the

examination of archaeological

Moving to MIT in 1960, he

held dual professorships in the

departments of metallurgy

and the humanities. His aim,

he said, was "to encourage the

understanding of human his-

tory and human activity

through the scientific investi-

gation of the material record

Smith established MIT's

laboratory for research in ar-

chaeological materials, which

led to the founding of the

Centre for Materials Research

in Archeology and Ethnology

by a consortium of universities

He leaves his widow, Alice,

of the past".

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CYRIL SMITH

school, HMS Ariel, near Warrington, and in 1952 organised its move to a new home at Worthy Down outside Winchester. In 1953 he was posted briefly to the Admiralty as deputy director (personnel) of the electrical branch, then in the next year was placed in command of HMS Collingwood. He was

ADC to the Queen, 1956-58. He was promoted rear-admiral in 1958 and in the following year became director of engineering and electrical training, as well as senior naval electrical officer at a time of great expansion in military electronics. He was knighted in 1961 when he retired.

Kenneth Buckley was born in South India where his father was a colonial administrator. A forebear had been among the first to win a Victoria Cross in the Crimean HMS Keppel

Made up to lieutenant-com-

mander in 1935, he joined the teaching staff at HMS Vernon, the navy's torpedo and diving school, then was ap-pointed to supervise the building in Belfast of the cruiser Penelope - later nicknamed the "Pepperpor" after being holed so many times on con-voy duties in the second world war. From there he joined the cruiser Arethusa on the staff of the admiral commanding the 3rd cruiser squadron and was on board when Arethusa was involved in the interception of the German prison ship Altmark early in the war.

From Arethusa he transferred to the cruiser Galatea, patrolling in the Channel, and took part in the evacuation of troops from Dieppe following the retreat of the British Expeditionary Force in France. He joined Repulse in 1941.

After leaving the navy Buckley founded his own electrical repair business at Southampton and became deeply involved in the Soldiers' Sailors' and Airmen's Families Associ-ation (SSAFA), serving as president of his local branch for many years. An intensely private man, many of his acts of kindness have come to light only by accident. One old lady, a beneficiary of SSAFA, had her firewood chopped every week by the rear admiral. Kenneth Buckley is survived

by his wife Bettie and by their one son and two daughters.

War. Buckley became a naval cadet at Osborne, then at Dartmouth, and first went to sea in the Atlantic fleet as a midshipman in HMS Valiant and the destroyer Water Hen. Between 1926 and 1929 he served on the China station in the cruiser Dispatch and in

Returning to Britain he was trained as a torpedo officer (toroedo specialists then doubled up as electrical officers) and was seconded to the New Zealand navy, serving on the commodore's staff in the cruiser Dunedin and in command of Duchess 11, a merchantman requisitioned for minesweeper training.

APPRECIATIONS

Sir Joseph Weld

YOUR obituary (August 25) of Sir Joseph Weld paid tribute to his many charitable and philanthropic interests. There is an act of extreme generosity which should also be recorded. namely his gift in 1959 of the Ince Blundell Hall antiquities to the Liverpool Museum. Sir Joseph Weld had inher-

ited the Ince Hall collections from his Weld-Blundell cousins. The collection of antique statues, busts, bas-reliefs, cineraria and inscriptions at Ince Blundell Hall (near Liverpool), one of the largest and most important in England, had been formed in the late 18th century by Henry Blundell, who constructed a special pantheon-like sculpture gallery to house it; this rotunda remains today at Ince Blundell Hall.

Henry Blundell had always made his collection accessible to the Liverpool community, and Sir Joseph Weld's gener-



ous gesture continued this spirit. In addition to the some three hundred antiquities which went to the Liverpool Museum, a group of modern 18th century marble sculptures also went to the Walker Art Gallery and today forms an important part of the new sculpture gallery which has recently been created there.

Dr Gerard Vaughan

Lord Cheshire

MUCH to the benefit of everyone else, Leonard Cheshire (obituary, August 3) was one of the very few non-parliamentarians invited to join the all-party committee set up at Westminster in 1970 to promote the Chronically Sick

and Disabled Persons Bill. With his already vast experience of provision for disabled people, it seemed odd that he said so little and was so diffident in discussion. But he was shrewd as well as shy. One word from him was worth the whole vocabulary of some others. Our task was to draft a collective essay on improving the well-being of disabled people and enhancing their status. He was one of its most

distinguished contributors. Five years ago, we went to Peking and Chunking together: in my case to address a conference on new legislation

for disabled people, in Leonard's to add China to the huge number of countries with Cheshire Homes.

The meeting at which his proposal was discussed with Chinese administrators reminded me of his role at Westminster 17 years before. Again he said very little, but his every word was compellingly persuasive. So cogent and obviously sincere was he. so apparent his humanity, that he scarcely needed to speak at all to carry his proposal.

We were frequently in touch for nearly a quarter of a century. His humour in private conversation, his fellowship and excelling goodness were a delight to all who knew him. He will be deeply mourned by friends and beneficiaries all across the world.

The Right Hon Alfred Morris, MP, first Minister for the Disabled

Alan Thomas

I FIRST met Alan Thomas (obituary, August 6) when he was 17 and I was about a year younger. I collected books at an early age and ventured into first editions with my first pay as a cub reporter on the local newspaper. At school, I had read Melville and frowned when asked 12s 6d for a

slightly battered American first edition of Typee. "Ah!" said Alan, stroking

(yes, stroking) the grey cloth spine with its gilt lettering. "But think how nice that would look on your bookshelf."His words hypnotic. I parted with 12s 6d and remembered them.

Ronald Riggs:

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WE MUCH regret that in the obituary (August 31) of Ian Robertson, senior civil servant and patron of the arts, pictured right, the wrong photograph was used. It showed Iain Robertson.

who is currently managing director, Corporate & Institutional Banking Division, of the Royal Bank of Scotland. Our apologies to all concerned.



ON THIS DAY 1912

Henry Bell (1767-1830) is credited with being the first to invent the steamboat in Europe in 1812. Celebrations held one hundred years later in honour

of his launching of the boat provided overwhelming evidence of Clydeside's prosperity in the early years of this century.

THE "COMET"

Comet, having proved her capacity on the Clyde just 100 years ago, began to make extended tours of the Kyles of Bute and the Crinan Canal, her advent was regarded with dismay and entment by the skippers of the fly-boats that frequented those regions.

And today Scotland has wor-thily celebrated the memory of

It is, of course, a truism to say

laid the foundations not merely of the commercial prosperity of Glasgow but of the maritime supremacy of Great Britain. But the main value of the Comet centenary is that they have brought these facts home to the

minds of the people.

Today was proclaimed as a general holiday in the towns of the Clyde, and the workers went in immense numbers to Green the clyde and the workers went in the clyde and the cl nock or Helensburgh to witness the display of shipping off the Tail of the Bank. Those who remained behind flocked to the riverside to cheer the gaily deco-rated vessels which steamed vithout a suggestion of "spluttering" towards the mouth of the river. Everywhere there were street and harbour decorations illuminations and fireworks, and patriotic displays of various kinds, not merely in Glasgow itself, but in Greenock, Port Glasgow, Renfrew, Rothesay, Helensburgh, Dunoon, Largs. Dumbarton and elsewhere.
For the visitor to Glasgow the

excursion was an interesting revelation of the magnitude of the shipbuilding industry of the powerfu. a. ers, capacious cargo u.

an apparently endless array of coasting vessels, river steamers, yachts, tugs, barges, and other small craft, all in various stages the yard of Messrs Harland and Wolff at Govan were the Austrapedo-boat destroyers, and the Admiralty depot ship, Woolwich. There were more destroyers and when Clydebank was reached one saw in Messrs John Brown and Company's yard the cruisers, Tiger, Australia, and Southampton, more torpedoboat destroyers, and the new Cunarder, Aquitania, which when launched will be the largest vessel afloat, and in Messrs Beardmore's yard the battleships Benbow and Conqueror, the

It may have been this expeand a son and daughter. Tate adds new portrait

experiments.

By JOHN SHAW

to its Stuart display

THE Tate Gallery has acquired a portrait by William Dobson (1611-1646) of his second wife which will go on show to the public in a display of Elizabethan and Stuart painting on Saturday. It was bought in a private

treaty sale through Christie's. but the identity of its previous owner, where the portrait came from and the purchase price have not been disclosed. Little is known about the short life and career of the artist who was described by John Aubrey, the diarist, "as

the most excellent painter that England hath yet bred." Dobson usually painted the personalities of the English Civil The study of his second wife, Judith, is thought to have been

painted by the end of the 1630s. Christie's describe it as strikingly informal in presentation "and the sitter's engaging glance gives the portrait an emotional sensitivity unusual in the artist's ocuvre." Dobson moved in a weathly

and influential circle and was the only British painter of any talent and stature to have experienced and studied the magnificent art collection formed by Charles 1 which was disbursed during the Civil

He followed the court to three by Samuel John Peploe.

Oxford in October 1642 and remained there under seige until 1646. During his time in the city Dobson painted the recently-rediscovered portrait of the king which sold for a record £165,000 at Christie's in London in November 1989. It showed the monarch as a tired man without hope, an image quite unlike the more formal and often flattering studies painted by his near-contemporary Sir Anthony Van Dyke (1599-1641).

Despite a career in which Dobson painted the king and court and acted as principal painter at Whitehall, the war and subsequent death or departure of many of his aristocratic clientele ruined his business. He died in poverty at his studio in St Martin's Lane shortly after Oxford fell to the Parliamentarians in 1646. ☐ Eight pictures which be-longed to John Blyth, a linen manufacturer in Kirkcaldy. Fife, who died in 1962, were expected to make up to £150,000 at Sotheby's annual

summer sale at Gleneagles. Mr Blyth developed a love of art while working as a travelling salesman for the family firm when he visited art galleries on his rounds. The paintings on sale include two by William McTaggart and

Pipers pick their own tunes

By ANGUS NICOL

THERE were no set tunes this year for the Gold Medal and Senior Piobaireachd competitions. Competitors were required to submit tunes of their own choice: eight for the Gold Medal and ten for the Senior. However, there was a set list for the Silver Medal. This contained six tunes, two of which, the Salute to Donald and Black Donald's March are well known. The other four are not often played, though the MacGregors' Salute and The Duke of Atholl's Salute have been heard once or twice over the last couple of years. The remaining two, Dastirum gu seinnim piob (I am proud to play a pipe) and Hector MacLean's Warning have not appeared in the competition

lists for some decades. The Highland Society of London's Gold Medal was won by Colin Roy MacLellan. who did play a less often heard tune, The Blue Ribbon. Alan Minty took second prize, with the Lament for Mary Mac-Leod. Another MacCrimmon tune, the Lament for the Earl of Antrim won third prize for Chris Terry. Iain Hurst, competing for the first time, won fourth prize, playing MacLeod

Trophy, presented by William

Grant & Son, is open only to

those who have already won

the Gold Medal. This year it

of Raasay's Salute.
The Senior Piobaireachd

was won, together with the Argyll & Sutherland High-landers' Cup, by Pipe Major Alasdair Gillies, QOH, He played Donald Mor MacCrimmon's famous Lament for Donald Duaghal MacKay. The second prize went to Roderick MacLeod with the Lament for the Viscount of Dundee. Sergeant Brian Donaldson, Scots Guards, played The Bells of Perth to win third prize. Murray Henderson came fourth, playing the tune with which he won the Silver Chanter this year, the Lament for the Earl of Antrim. Stuart Liddell, who won the MacGregor prize last year, won the Silver Medal at his

first attempt, playing the Salute to Donald. The MacGregor Memorial competition is for pipers who are 21 years of age or under on the day of the competition. Each has to submit four tunes of his own choice, and is asked to play two, being judged on both performances. This event has been notable for the increasingly high standard, year by year, of the perform-ers, of which this year was the best so far. Seasoned pipers would have been pleased to have given performances such as were heard in this event. It was won by Allan MacColl,

whose first tune was The

Battle of the Pass of Crieff, and

second Clanranald's Salute. Neil Walker came second, playing Lady Margaret Mac-Donald's Salute and the nameless tune. Hiharin dro o dro. Third prize was won by Andrew Hayes, with the Sa-lute to Donald and Corrienessan's Salute. The March, Strathspey and

Reel competition, for the previous winners of the separate events for marches and for Strathspeys and reels, is now held in the evening of the first day of the Argylshire Gathering, and provides a fitting concert to round off the day. A full hall heard Roderick Mac-Leod take first place, with Pipe Major Alasdair Gillies second.

The remaining competition on the first day is the junior march, Strathspey and reel competition for the Duke of Argyll's Medal. This is open only to natives of Argyll, and was won by Allan MacColl. Full results:

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Highland Society of London's Gold Medal: 1. Collin Roy MacLellan. 2. Alan Miniy: 3. Chris Terry: 4. Iain Hurst. Senior Plobalirachd: 1. Fim Alasdair Gillies: 2. Roderick MacLeod: 3. Sat Brian Donaldson: 4. Murray Henderson. Stiver Medal: 1. Stuar Liddett: 2. Cpt Gordon Walker Iosastinum gu seinnim piobl: 3. Iain Spelrs (Duke of Atholi's Salute: 4. William Morrison (Black Donald's March: 5. Rory Grossari (Duke of Atholi's Salute: MacGreeot Memorial Competition: I.

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MacGregor Memorial Competition: I. Alian MacColl: 2. Nell Walker; 3. Andrew Hayes. March. Strainspey and reel former winners: 1. Roderick MacLeol; 2. P/M Alassdair Glitles: 3. William Morrisor: 4. Sgi Brian Donaldson. Junior March. Strainspey and reel: 1. Alian MacColl: 2. Andrew Campbell-Birnle; 3. Colin MacIssac; 4. Gavin Davidson.

Oak giants line the forest trail

CHARLIE Easterfield, the Scottish sculptor and wood carver, has spent the last five weeks on her biggest ever task, creating figures out of massive pieces of unseasoned oak wood in the Tummel Forest Park, north Perthshire (Kerry Gill writes).

One is a mountainous, 9ft man cradling a baby, while the second work is a 7ft high sculpture of a figure clambering out of a tree trunk. Ms Easterfield was chosen from among Scottish sculptors to become artist in residence at the forest park during the summer. With her successor, John Hunter, from Edinburgh, they are creating the first of a series of oak figures for a sculpture trail through the woodlands. Her second work, more

than 3ft in diameter, weighs one and a half tons and had to be hauled by heavy machinery to the site from a local farm. "I am working a ten-hour day to have them completed in time. I have never worked in such a large scale before. Because the wood is unseasoned it is at least easier to work with," she said yesterday. The scheme is being funded by Scottish Enterprise Tayside, and it is hoped that the project can be continued next year with Scottish Arts Council support.

CELEBRATING

Glasgow, Aug 31 When that brave little craft the

The Secretary for Scotland has reminded us during the present centenary celebrations of the strange behaviour of one of those worthies. He piped his entire ship's company — a man and a boy — on deck and addressed them as follows: "Kneel down and thank God that ye sail with the Almighty's ain wind, and no' wi' the De'ils ain fire and brimstone like that splutterin'

the designer of "that splutterin" sors of the Comet have assembled in the lower reaches of the Clyde to do honour to the timy boat which made history on the river with its four horse-power engine in the year 1812. It has been quite a popular

festival along the banks of the Clyde. Henry Bell lived and worked in obscurity and died in comparative poverty, but today hundreds of his fellow-countrymen have acclaimed him as a benefactor.

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of construction. For instance, in row's yard at Scotstoun. Then,

Valuation cut threatens big rise in level of council tax

BY PHILIP WERSTER, CHIEF POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT

THE government faced fresh pressure last night to devote increased resources to the council tax after it was disclosed that local authorities may be forced to levy bigger

bills than had been expected. The draft valuations of homes received by local authorities yesterday show that there will be many more homes in the lower council tax brackets than estimated 18 months ago, leaving councils with a big shortfall in expected revenue and facing the need to charge a higher

tax to raise the same sum.
According to unofficial estimates the council tax base is worth 11 per cent less than the government thought when it unveiled the poll tax replacement last year. That would translate to a shortfall

Standards promise for GCSE

Continued from page ! appease right-wing Tory backbenchers who have op-posed the GCSE since its introduction." Mr Patten admitted that the report contained some positive findings. Marking schemes were sufficiently rigorous and marking was carried out thoroughly.

Inspectors expressed some reservations about examining rocedures last year and the HMI and Seac were asked to review this year's arrangements. As well as inviting the examining boards to re-spond, Mr Patten has asked Lord Griffiths of Fforestfach, the chairman of Seac, to come up with proposals for

1993 and 1994. Sir Rhodes Boyson, a former Conservative education minister and long-standing critic of the GCSE, said: "We need an impartial enquiry with trained examiners looking at this year's papers and those of ten. 20 and 30 years ago to report whether there has been a real improvement remained static or declined."

Qualified success, page 2

of just under £1 billion, although the environment department emphasised last night that the original figures had been based on a clear underestimate in the number of properties in Britain. In many areas the fact that there are more properties than estimated will help to balance the

lower than expected revenue.
According to the Local Government Information Unit the figures would mean that people living in a house in council tax band D bracket (previously expected to pay around £400) would have to pay £60 more unless the government took special action.

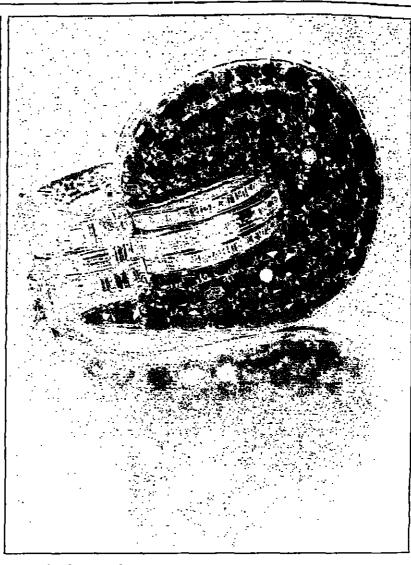
Michael Howard, the environment secretary, is negotiating with the Treasury over local authority spending. In spite of the unprecedented severity of this year's spending round senior Tory MPs are already pressing for a generous transitional relief scheme so that there is no repetition of the sudden increases in bills that accompanied the introduction of the poli tax. The new figures will intensify that pressure.

There is concern at the decision to base tax levels on 1991 property values which means, because of the house price slump, that some people will be in brackets higher than that justified by the current value of their home.

Sir Rhodes Boyson, the former local government minis-ter, who is leading a Tory campaign for more cash help for local authorities, said yesterday that it was essential that London and the Southeast were not adversely affected by the new tax as the North of England was by the community charge. He said: "Otherwise woe betide us since this area is already so hard-hit by the recession."

It was originally estimated that at Wakefield, Yorkshire, 28 per cent of properties would be in the lowest band A. According to the information unit the actual figure is nearer 60 per cent. At Nuneaton the original estimate was that there would be 22 per cent of properties in Band A; per cent. In Islington, London, the original estimate for Band C was 8 per cent; it Diary, page 10 | has turned out at 30 per cent.





See what the boys in the (Sotheby's) backroom will bid ...

EVEN Marlene Dietrich, that most glamorous and provocative screen goddess, grew slightly embarrassed by the dazzling display of rubies and diamonds. She called it her "Busby Berkeley" after the diamonds. bracelet". after the flamboyant Hollywood director, because it

was so large and splashy. Now Sotheby's New York is to sell the bracelet (top, right) on October 19 and have given it an estimate of £150,000-£200,000. John Block, director of Sotheby's jewellery department in New York, said it is "one of the most exciting pieces of

jewellery from an era of glamour and elegance embodied perfectly by its owner". He calls it a masterpiece of 1930s design". Dietrich commissioned the brace-let, based on a Cartier necklace, from an unknown French designer in 1937, and wore it many

times. In 1950 she wore it the bracelet in the Hitchcock film Stage Fright. It was the only film Dietrich made with Hitchcock and she starred alongside Jane Wyman and Richard Todd. In a key scene Dietrich, playing a manipulative musical star who is suspected of murdering her husband, is seen seated in her dressing room wearing a black chiffon gown by Dior and the bracelet. After the film Dietrich locked the bracelet away in a vanit and, shortly before she died last May.

UN fears famine in Sarajevo

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smoke throughout the morning. The fire, and reports of gun battles, in the west of the city temporarily halted one Egyptian-led convoy into the city centre.

As we drove through one unmanned Serb checkpoint, the last before the airport, a gunman armed with a heavy machinegun peered at us from the side of one devastated two-storey house adjacent to the road. Around him lay the symbols of Sarajevo's battles: wrecked cars and burnt out artillery pieces. Violence was also reported in Ilidzhe, a forces have repeatedly tried to

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of convoys between the air-port and the city centre the UN is trying to store whatever spare food it can fly in in four Bosnian government ware-houses throughout the city. Warehouse work, carried out by locals, is dangerous. There is rarely electricity in the hangars—the pulling of pallets is by hand—and they face occasional shelling from mortar positions. Together with the rest of the city the workers face snipers' bullets during what remains of Sarajevo's

morning rush hour. A fifth warehouse is being commissioned by the UN in Vitaz, 40 miles from Sarajevo Bosnian/Croatian controlled territory. However, even if all the warehouses were full their contents would feed the besieged city for only

a few weeks, to say nothing of other towns and outlying areas suffering the same lethal mix of hunger, war and win-ter. "We are in a race against time," said Mr Espeland.

Elsewhere in the city 40 Royal Engineers continued to work on reinforcing dangerously exposed United Nations monitors' bunkers. They worked under sporadic shelling and sometimes had to take cover against the gun battles around them. "It is a nightmare," said one corpo-ral. "Some of the lads are working under fire when they get on the job. If you are seen doing work near one side's side will open up on you," he

Jihad feared, page 8 | I'm definitely not anti-Arab."

Fischer rails against the world The match takes place at the Montenegrin holiday resort

of Sveti Stefan, once the

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tions? Yes." Asked if he regarded himself as an anti-communist fighter who was ill-treated by the United States, and for his response to reports that he had been characterised as anti-Semitic, he said: "First you have to understand what communism is. To me real communism, Soviet communism is basically a mask for Bolshevism which is a mask for Judaism ... anti-Semitism is a nonsense term because my understanding is

people. It is a bizarre place for a chess comeback. The US Sixth Fleet is somewhere out to sea, monitoring compliance with the UN embargo. Death notices are stuck on trees in nearby towns. By playing in the new Yugoslavia Fischer has been told by the US Treasury department that he will violate UN sanctions.

The man who inspired the musical Chess but who forfeited his title could face a fine and or a prison sentence on his return to America. But whether or not he is arrested both he and Spassky will be a lot richer than when they arrived. Match organiser Jezdimir Vasiljevic, one of the

richest men in Yugoslavia, will pay the winner about £2

Asked whether he was worried by the prospect of punishment he pulled out a letter from the US Department of Trade, warning him against playing, leant forward and pretended to spit on the table. There was more. Chess fans around the world had been duped for years. "All of the matches between Gary Kasparov and Anatoly Karpov were pre-arranged.

he would write a book to expose everything. Quite what Mrs Fischer, Bobby's Jewish mother, would now make of her son the chess player, is hard to

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- 10 Appear restless, after which the
- penny drops? (4). 12 Show disapproval of audible
- interference (4). 13 Instrument to captivate ear, in
- 15 Explorer, clever chap, appearing all round the North (8).
- 16 Went blindly on, attached to group leader (6). 18 Type a note in French (6).
- 20 Fighter drops hand, having severe pain (8).
- 23 Odd clue guess the name of a mathematician (9).
- 24 Sound subject for Gogol's tale? They wouldn't agree (4).

26 Under pressure, bend rule (4).



- 27 Put vessel in range, if cooking almond flan (10). 28 Pathetic end of savage pervent
- 29 Cleavers needed to get bird to pot
- 1 Put up money a number of times for poets (4).
- 2 Room at the top? (7). 3 Set an example of such brevity
- 4 Chaucer, say, summoned for jury service? (8).
- 5 The chaste Miss Tilley at the end of the bill (6).
- 7 Police finally caught rascal in selfish enterprise (3-4).
- 8 Girl, rather angry, went this colour? (4, 6).
- 11 Most distressful tendency in court case (5-7). 14 Susan: one name perhaps for a
- secretary (10). 17 What successful Yankee puts in
- pocket (8). 19 Monarch to free imprisoned
- servant (7). 21 US president places prohibition
- on a Japanese art (7). 22 Eccentric word that's spelt incorrectly (6).
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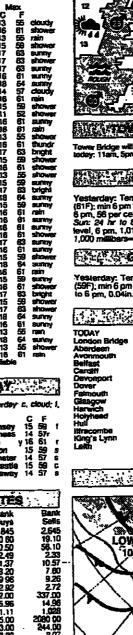
Concise Crossword, Page 9 Life & Times section MARESNEST

This puzzle was solved within 30 minutes by nine per cent of the competitors at the 1992 Birmingham regional final of The Times InterCity Crossword Championship.

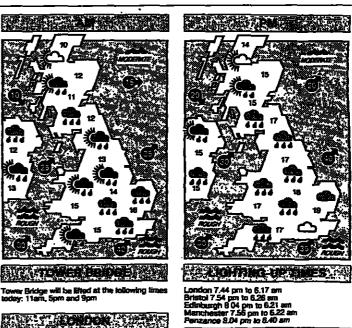
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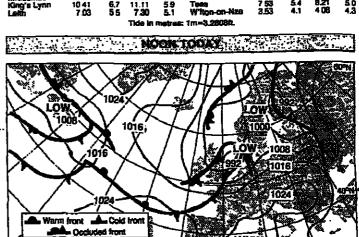
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BUSINESS EDITOR JOHN BELL



BULLISH TALK



Sir Andrew Hugh Smith, chairman of the London Stock Exchange, says Taurus will broaden share ownership Page 19

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CASHING IN



Unit trusts suffered a £141.7 million net outflow of funds in July, the largest since the Gulf war Page 17

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Gatt talks are on hold in Brussels as the EC awaits the outcome of the French vote on Maastricht in three

HIGH COSTS



Heavy operational costs continue to cast a shadow over Lufthansa despite weekend talks

Plunging dollar puts pressure on ERM

Sterling tops \$2 for first time since Gulf war

By COLIN NARBROUGH AND MICHAEL CLARK

STERLING closed above \$2 for the first time since the Gulf war as the dollar came under renewed pressure on the foreign exchanges. The US currency dropped to a disturbing new low of DM 1.3905 after reports that the Federal Reserve had intervened in support of the currency refuelled bearish

sentiment in the market. Currency analysts saw the fresh dollar tumble heralding a downward lurch. Paul Chertkow, head of global foreign exchange strategy at UBS Phillips & Drew, said: "This is a dollar crisis in the making and its starting to spill over into the ERM (European ex-

The sagging dollar enabled the pound to climb back above \$2, but the strengthening mark nudged sterling down to DM2.7859 at the official 4pm close in London, its weakest since May 1990, and less than a pfennig from its absolute floor in the ERM. It ended last week at DM2.7874.

change-rate mechanism)."

In late afternoon in Europe, the dollar traded as low as DM1.3915, after opening just above DM1.40. This pushed it below its previous worst of DM1.3940, recorded last Tuesday. In New York, it fell further to DM1.3905 before recovering slightly.

The pound's demise upset

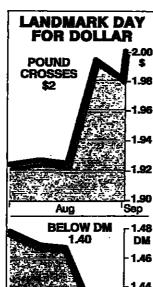
the equity market and sent share prices sliding to their lowest for almost 18 months. The FT-SE 100 index fell below 2,300 as investors headed for the comparative safety of the sidelines, leaving share prices to drift. The index managed to draw some comfort from an opening rise in the Dow Jones industrial average on Wall Street, but still finished 14.2 lower at ruary 20, last year. By the close of business, only 312 million

shares had changed hands. The thin foreign exchange market was focused on the dollar's weakness against the mark, a reflection of the unchanged 6.5 percentage point

only intervention detected was in support of the Italian lira. But the dollar's fall height-ened tension within the ERM. albeit modestly compared

John Hall, currency analyst at Swiss Bank Corporation, said he expected the dollar to fall to DM1.35, given the transatlantic interest gap, the political risk, and ill-timed

intervention last month. Mr Chertkow foresees the dollar possibly plummeting as



central banks act urgently to prop up the currency.
While the pound climbed to \$2,0002 by the London close, a gain of almost 1.5 cents since Friday, it came under downward pressure in the afternoon against the mark. On Friday, it finished at

low as DM1.30, unless the

The currency market's poor view of the dollar boosted Japan's yen. Buoyed by the £43 billion package of stimulainterest rate gap between America and Germany. The tory measures announced in

Tokyo on Friday, it firmed to 122.60 to the dollar, its best

this year.

American economic data out yesterday did nothing to lift the dollar. The National Association of Purchasing Management said its activity index for manufacturing fell to 53.7 per cent in August from 54.2 per cent in July. The government's main forecasting gauge, the index of leading indicators, showed a tiny

0.1 percent increase in July.

Growth expectations in Europe have also been downgraded. Henning Christophersen. European commissioner for economic affairs, said yesterday that the Community was likely to grow about 1.5 per cent this year, instead of the 1.7 per cent forecast in the spring. Community finance ministers meeting in Bath next weekend are expected to

focus on contingency strategies to cope with the turmoil likely to emerge in the event of the French referendum on September 20 delivering a "no" to the Maastricht treaty. Ministers are keen to avoid raising interest rates in the run-up to the French vote. Mr Christophersen said in

Copenhagen that he considered the European monetary system so strong that it would easily survive French rejection of the Maastricht treaty. The Bundesbank council.

which meets tomorrow, is not expected to indicate any easing of its monetary policy, despite growing fears of recession in Germany. No loosening is anticipated for some months, given Germany's excessive money supply growth. Britain's Federation of Small Businesses fiercely at-

tacked the government's economic strategy yesterday. the Chancellor, was "acting like a kamikaze pilot who is determined to reach his goal [low inflation] whatever the cost". The lobby group ac-cused Mr Lamont of failing to consider a change of policy to end the recession.

Stock market, page 18



Henlys drives off Cowie bid

By COLIN CAMPBELL

COWIE yesterday failed in its hostile takeover bid for Henlys Group, a fellow motor trader, when, by the 1pm deadline, Cowie had secured acceptances from only 42.63 per cent of Henlys equity.

tances from 32.64 per cent of Henlys capital, or 12.35 million shares, and held 9.99 per

Gordon Hodgson, Cowie's chief executive, said the failure to win was "a little bit of a bitter pill to swallow". Fund managers had fallen for Henlys' promises, he said, but Cowie remained an acquisitive group and that it would still grow.

Robert Wood, Henlys' chief

executive, said he was "absolutely delighted" at seeing off Cowie and that his management would now get down to delivering the promises made during the defence. Charterbouse Bank, which led Henlys' defence, said of

client having the right bullets. which were fired at the right time, and in the right way". Herrys esun costs at between £850,000 and £900,000. Cowie estimates its

the win that it was a case of a

costs at about £600,000. During the course of the bid, Cowie bought various parcels of Henlys shares in the market at an average price of 73p a share. Henlys made many claims about its future

performance (as an indepen-

dent group), and, Mr Hodg-son added, as a major shareholder in Henlys, "Cowie will watch with interest to see if these claims are fulfilled". Cowie suggested that a stock market that had fallen 20 per cent since the bid was launched in June worked

Henlys said that fund managers and many ordinary shareholders accepted Henly management's arguments that the group was on the threshold of recovery, and they were content to back management in front of the better days ahead. Cowie shares rose 5p to 126p. Henlys shares eased by 5p to 62p.

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Hurricane **Andrew** will cost at least \$7.3bn

By PATRICIA TEHAN

HURRICANE Andrew will cost insurers a minimum of \$7.3 billion, according to official estimates from America, making it the costliest storm in the country's history.

The estimates, from the American Insurance Services Group, are for damage to property in Florida. The group hopes to produce an estimate for storm damage in Louisiana today. The loss compares with the £5.8 billion paid out by insurers world-wide for Hurricane Hugo. which destroyed parts of North America and the Caribbean in 1989.

Ron Krauss, of the American Insurance Services Group, said there are an estimated 685,000 insurance claims in Florida, 400,000 of them on buildings damaged or destroyed by the hurricane. The estimate does not include uninsured property losses or damage to crops,

government property and public property, such as roads.
Although the bulk of the loss from the storm will be shouldered directly by American insurance companies, at least \$1.6 billion of it is likely to have been reinsured in the London insurance market, according to George Lloyd Roberts, chairman of the Lloyd's non-marine underwriters' association. He said \$5.3 billion of the loss is believed to be reinsured, with up to 30 per cent of it reinsured in London. This compares with estimates that the London market paid

Hurricane Hugo. A Lloyd's spokesman said:
"The general view appears to
be that because of improved
rates, a higher level of retention of primary risks by American insurers and a more balanced book of business, the impact on the Lloyd's and London market will be significantly less severe than was the case with Hurricane Hugo."

out half the reinsurance on

However, observers say Anmarket into losses for the fifth year running. Chatset, the independent consultant, had been forecasting the market would break even or make a small profit in 1992 as long as there were no large catastrophe claims this year.

Bush on tour, page 9

THE POUND

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United claims BA deal is illegal



By Ross Tieman and Philip Robinson

THE British Airways plan to contravenes section 101 of the buy USAir is illegal under American law and would give the UK carrier the unfair advantage of having a hub airport on either side of the Atlantic, according to United Airlines.

The carrier is pressing the US authorities to respond to BA's move by demanding open access to British airports for American airlines. United would like to set up a British hub, possibly at Stansted, and also fly from America direct to British regional airports. Some American airlines suggest increased transatlantic competition could create thou-sands of jobs in Britain and make London the cheap travel capital of Europe.

Larry Nagin, United's head of corporate affairs, said the BA deal heralds a "defining point" in the history of aviation, where airlines become transnational. American carriers are determined not to be left on the sidelines. He was confident US officials shared

Federal Aviation Act. The Act states that all air carriers operating in America "must be controlled by US citizens". BA said, however: "The deal

was constructed within the confines of American law." The British carrier announced its plan to acquire a 44 per cent stake in USAir for \$750 million on July 21. The deal would create the world's larg-est global airline alliance with 669 aircraft and 94,000 employees, flying to 339 destinations in 71 countries.

BA has laid out a clear fiveyear plan to the American authorities. It proposes that the two airlines will integrate all core aspects of their business to a point where they operate under one management structure. Roger Maynard, BA's director of corporate strategy predicted recently: "Passengers won't know if their pilot is British or

Lufthansa pact, page 16

Right turn takes Saturn to rising sun

FROM PHILIP ROBINSON IN NEW YORK

CARMAKERS have complained for years that the Japanese are swamping world car markets while restrictive practices debarred foreigners from selling cars to Japan. But General Motors has finally realised that there may be a simpler reason for the imbalance - the steering

wheel is on the wrong side. The American giant has taken more than 70 years to formally acknowledge that the Japanese, like we British, drive on the left side the road and only now is it poised to launch in Tokyo the Saturn, an American-made model with the steering wheel on the right. In the land of the rising sun, the GM light bulb has just

been switched on. For years, car executives have com-

plained bitterly that their Japanese sales have been kept low by import curbs.

Japan imports only 200,000 cars a year, or 4 per cent of the total market.

But among the first points raised by the Japanese at President George Bush's trade mission nine months ago was that America might sell more cars to the islands if they were made with the steering wheel and pedals on the right.

Analysis say that until now the Japanese market has not been regarded as important enough for GM to spend money offering a right hand drive version on the 10,000 vehicles it sells there each year. GM claims that in any case, lefthand-drive cars have cachet in Japan where "to be seen as different is fashionable". But while sales have been rising, it sold only 5,651 cars there in the first seven months of this year. Despite

exporting to the country since 1915, it was only three years ago that GM began selling any right-hand-drive cars at all. They were European-made Opels.

By contrast, Ford, through its 24 per cent ownership of Mazda, has entered the RHD market. They have been playing the motor game longer, of course. Henry's Model-T was already rolling off the production line when GM was just getting started in 1908. And even now, GM's big Japanese push will not start for another two years at least.

Its product will be the Saturn, a car it began producing in 1990 using Japanese methods of production and management which has proved highly successful and sold 76,000 in America. A GM spokesman said: "We have always said we would not start introducing the Saturn into Japan until the mid-90s."

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Passenger traffic 'worrying'

FROM REUTER IN GENEVA

INTERNATIONAL air passenger traffic was 10 per cent up on the same month last year in July but was still worryingly low, the Interna-tional Air Transport Association (lata) said.

The organisation, which groups more then 200 international airlines, said freight traffic was up 8 per cent, or o per cent over the first seven months of the year. Passenger traffic was up 18 per cent over

the first seven months. Gunter Eser, lata director general, said: "Frankly, these expectations."

Herr Eser said that because 1991, the year of the Gulf war, was an abnormal year, the best yardstick was to measure traffic against the 1990

figures.
"If we compare January-July 1992 with January-July 1990, we see passenger traffic growth of 7 per cent and freight traffic up 4 per cent."

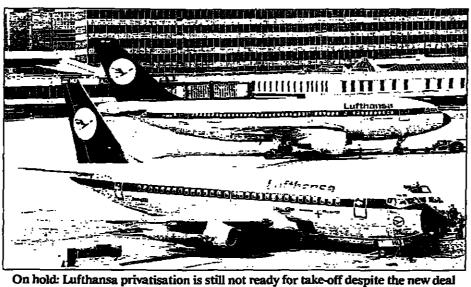
"When the increase in capacity of 13 per cent during the period is taken into account, the figures are

Unions accept pay freeze at cost-laden Lufthansa

THE last-minute pay package agreed between Lufthansa, the loss-making German air-line, and its two largest trade unions is unlikely to alleviate concern about its future as it continues to operate one of the largest cost structures in the

After six days of hard bargaining Lufthansa's manage-ment and the ÖTV blue collar and DAG white collar trade unions agreed to a package which includes a pay freeze, in return for which Lufthansa will shelve plans to impose a new wage structure for its

domestic operations. Lufthansa had originally planned to hive off its domestic operations into a subsidiary. Lufthansa Express, as an independent business with its own pay structure. The original plan had brought the trade unions close to what one official called "the pain threshold". Lufthansa's decision to backtrack from the imposition of a new pay structure means that its staff will continue to enjoy among the highest salaries paid in the airline business. The agreement is part of



DM500 million and has suc-

ceeded in alleviating some of the worst fears, including those of a DM l billion loss for the whole year, as had been expected by some analysis.

The German government is, in principle, in favour of privatisation of the airline but the task will be formidable, if structure of Lufthansa internaat all possible. In the past

plans have never made it beyond the debating stage. Lufthansa's cost problem is illustrated in a comparison with British Airways, where personnel costs amount to about 24 per cent of revenues against a Lufthansa's 33 per cent. Lufthansa insists that the Lufthansa says savings will amount to DM1.2 billion agreement "contributes considerably to making the cost

tionally more competitive and bringing the firm back on the road to profit". It also set new salary structures for flight and cabin staff, while working hours will become more flexible. About 8,000 jobs will go over the next two and a half years and investment cut.

until end-1994.

Qantas returns to profit

FROM REUTER IN SYDNEY

QANTAS Airways, Australia's international carrier, expects to report a pre-tax operating profit of more than A\$100 million (E36 million) for the year ended June 30, John Ward, chief executive, said.

Government-owned Qantas achieved an operating turn-round of "well over \$200 million" from the \$158.5 million loss in 1990-1, Mr Ward said, and expected a pre-tax operating profit "considerably in excess" of \$100 million in 1991-92.

He said: "Qantas has a head start in the region's aviation stakes and is poised to take full advantage of an economic upturn when it occurs."

Mr Ward told the committee for the economic development of Australia that a pretax profit of 10 per cent of group turnover of more than \$5 billion, or \$500 million, was expected when Qantas merged with Australian Airlines, the government's do-mestic carrier, and the recession ended.

Qantas and Australian Airlines will merge on September 14 and the new entity will be sold off in 1993.

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Slimma purchase lifts **Dewhirst to recovery**

LAST October's acquisition of the Slimma businesses helped Dewhirst Group, the supplier to Marks and Spencer, to a substantial recovery in the first half of its current year. Pre-tax profits for the six months to July 17 jumped to £2.38 million, against £850.000, on sales of £81.3 million (£54.8 million). Earnings per share more than doubled, from 0.59p to 1.25p. despite the increase in the equity capital after the rights issue made to pay for Slimma. The interim dividend is lifted from

0.29p to 0.32p.
Anthony Vice, chairman, says that, although demand remains depressed, the group is achieving higher sales and he expects to report further progress in 1992-3. Women's wear performed well, although demand showed little improvement. Menswear remained static. Children's wear performent. Menswear remained static. Children's wear performent. Menswear remained from low demand and control of the con and tolletry textiles both suffered from low demand and further action has been taken to reduce costs.

Bemrose expands

BEMROSE Corporation has agreed to buy Rowton Crystal from the Thorpfamily for an initial consideration of £258,000, with further profit-related payments up to a maximum of £500,000, payable by 1995. Rowton is a market leader in the etching and engraving of crystal glass and other materials. In 1991, turnover and loss after tax amounted to £1.4 million and £10,077 respectively, while net assets at December 31 were £242,727.

Strong and Fisher falls

STRONG and Fisher, the leather and sheepskin processor 70.3 per cent owned by Hillsdown Holdings, expects to maintain a final dividend even though interim pre-tax profits fell to £2.17 million (£5.23 million). In the six months to end June turnover was almost unchanged at £44.39 million but operating profits fell to £675.000 (£4.3 million). The decline was offset by a £535,000 exceptional profit from property sales. Fully diluted earnings were 0.8p a share (2p).

Astec back in the black

ASTEC (BSR), the Hong Kong electronic components manufacturer, has bounced back into the black with pre-tax profits of £2.2 million (loss of £2.7 million) for the six months to June 28. This was achieved despite sales from the group's businesses falling E9 million to E117 million. Sales from the power conversion division rose marginally to £83.1 million. but turnover of electronic components fell from £52 million to £41 million. There is no interim dividend for the second year.

Flogas raises dividend

FLOGAS Group, the Irish-based liquid gas supplier, reports a pre-tax profit of IE7.16 million for the 13 months ended June 30, compared with previous annual profit of 1£6.74 million. Turnover was 4.8 per cent lower at 1£48.12 million. principally due to lower selling prices. Gearing at balance sheet date was 12 per cent. The business climate was difficult, not helped by a mild winter. Total dividend for the year is 1R7.92p (1R7.41p). The shares were unchanged at 210p.

Acco wins Ford deal

ACCO Systems, of Michigan, a subsidiary of FKI, the electrical engineer, has won a \$10 million contract from Ford. Acco will do the final design, manufacture and implementation of a material handling system for use in the new Ford 2.5 litre and 3 litre engines. It will begin ation next month and work should be imished by August. Ford plans to begin engine production using the new system, which will have five miles of conveyor, in May 1994.

Volvo Truck cuts costs

VOLVO Truck Group, a subsidiary of AB Volvo, intends to cut annual costs by SKr2 billion (£196 million) by 1995 in order to return to profit. The company said this was needed to stay competitive. "We don't expect any external factors like improved markets or a [stronger] dollar to help us, so we have to do it ourselves," a Volvo Truck spokesman said. The subsidiary had an unspecified first-half loss as part of AB Volvo's SKr103 million loss after financial items.

Peek buys Oslo firm

PEEK, the traffic systems group, has acquired Gemo Elektro of Norway for NKr4.77 million (£431,000), comprising NKr3.09 million in cash and NKr1.68 million in Peek shares to be retained for at least one year. Gemo, based in Oslo, designs and installs traffic controls systems. Its products include traffic controllers and signals, variable signs, barriers, pay and display units and parking control systems. Peek's existing business in Norway will be merged with Gemo.

Eurocopy warns on profits

BY COLIN CAMPBELL

EUROCOPY, the photocopier distributor whose 1991 profits were severely affected by the fall-out from the adverse publicity that followed a govern-ment enquiry into the selling practices of some of its subsidiaries, has issued a warning about the profits in the second half of its current financial

Michael Armitage, the fi-nance director, said that the recession continued to affect trading and that the improved level of business confidence that was evident after the general election had now disappeared.

Eurocopy has achieved cost savings of about £200,000. but, Mr Armitage said, it was still likely that the results for the six months to the end of September would show only a modest improvement on the pre-tax profits £720,000 earned in the first half that

ended in March. Eurocopy then declared an unchanged, but uncovered, interim dividend of 1.1p a

The group is soon to serve a writ, claiming £9.2 million from Sketchley from which it bought a Scottish photocopier company as part of its 1989 acquisition of Equipu.

Eurocopy's shares fell op to 33p immediately after yesterday's announcement from the

Torday & **Carlisle** axes payout

BY OUR CITY STAFF

SHAREHOLDERS in Torday & Carlisle, the Tyneside engineer, are losing their interim dividend after continuing problems at the Oldham Signs division forced the group into loss in the first half of this year.

The pre-tax loss for the six months is £353,000, which compares with a profit of E799,000 in the first half of 1991, and is blamed entirely on the continuing difficulties at Oldham, the neon sign manufacturer, which has been up for sale since June. Its losses are put at £972,000 for

the period.
Paul Torday, the group's chief executive, says that with Oldham's future unresolved negotiations are said to be proceeding — it would be "inappropriate" to declare an interim dividend.

A year ago, holders received 1.5p a share. The position regarding the final dividend. which was cut from 4.7p to 3p last March, will be reviewed on the basis of the continuing businesses, which are currently profitable and growing.

Diesel Marine International made £902,000 against £860.000, while Elfab-Hughes slipped from £412,000 to £380,000.

Group gearing stood at 55 per cent at June 30, compared with 51 per cent at the year end.



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Pessimistic investors sell more unit trusts than they buy

By Sara McConnell

INVESTORS sold £141.7 million more of unit trusts than they bought last month, the largest net outflow of funds for the sector since the Gulf War two years ago, according to the latest statistics from the Unit Trust Association. In June, companies also suffered a lower net outflow of £23.5

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The association said the outflow reflected growing investor pessimism as the pound hit trouble, suggesting an interest rate rise and a succession of economic indicators predicted no end to the recession. pushing the stock market down by 5 per cent". Gross sales of unit trusts totalled £599.6 million in July but repurchases totalled £741.3

However, Gavin Grant, the association's director of public affairs, said investors should

housebuilder, sent a fresh shockwave through the

housebuilding sector by an-nouncing a sharp and unex-pected fall in profits in the first

Duncan Davidson, chair-

man, blamed expensive land

acquired during the boom years of the late eighties for a

41 per cent slump in profits

from £12.5 million to £7.3

million. Persimmon shares

fell 25p to 148p as the market

digested the news that net pre-

tax margins in the first half

were 10.1 per cent, down from

18.2 per cent a year ago. Mr Davidson said: "The

results reflect the incredibly

difficult market conditions

that still exist in the private

housing market." Mr David-

son said in 30 years in the

housebuilding industry, he

had never seen the market as

difficult as it is today. "There-

fore I think that Persimmon's

result of a net pre-tax profit

margin of just over 10 per cent

Persimmon is the first of the big housebuilders to report

interim results this autumn and fears that it was unlikely

to be suffering alone hit share

prices right across the sector.

Among those affected were

Barratt Developments, down 8p to 41p, Tarmac, 4p lower at 65p, Westbury, 5p off at 57p, Wilson Bowden, 20p

lower at 232p and George

Wimpey, 12p down at 85p. Mr Davidson said buyers'

confidence was currently "flat on the floor" and that there

is not too bad."

half of the year.

Land prices wreck

Persimmon profit

By MATTHEW BOND

PERSIMMON, the York market until that position

take the opportunity of buying rather than selling when the market was low. "Shrewd investors buy when the market is low, as it is today. No doubt, in five or ten years time they will be delighted by the results."

He added: "July is traditionally a poor month for unit trusts but this year has been particularly bad, with the lowest figures since the Gulf War crisis." August was not expected to be much better.

Investors sold £84.7 million of units in North American funds because of the weakening dollar and uncertainties about the result of the American presidential election in November, leaving unit trust companies with a net outflow of £67.7 million.

The poor performance of Japanese stocks meant net outflows of £32.3 million from

changed. Confidence was now

more important than interest rates, he said. "If people had confidence in their jobs and the domestic economy, I don't think the difference between

10, 11 or 12 per cent interest

rates would stop them buying.

But don't get me wrong, I

want interest rates to come

Despite such adverse condi-

tions, Persimmon sold a

record 1,128 houses in the

first six months of this year at

an average selling price of £63,000. But a whole range of

incentives was now required to

complete a sale, Mr Davidson

said. The cost of these incen-

tives and other selling costs was typically about £5,000 a

house, compared with £1,500

three years ago. Mr Davidson said about a

margins will improve again."

Japanese funds and £21.2 million from Far East funds, including Japanese stocks. Uncertainties about the future of the European exchange-rate mechanism and the Maastricht treaty also sent holders of European unit trusts running for the exit, selling £97.8 million of units

in July. This left a net outflow

in the sector of £46.7 million. Four new funds were launched in July . These were the Albert E Sharp international bond and convertible unit trust, the Invesco MIM Pep managed fund, the Provi-dence Capitol PC international strategy fund and the Save & Prosper Korea fund. This brings the total number of trusts to 1,421.

The number of investors entering the unit trust market for the first time fell to 1 per cent, down from 3 per cent six months ago, according to the latest quarterly unit trust sur-vey from Gavin Anderson and Company, the communications consultancy.

The level of dissatisfaction

with unit trust performance over the past 12 months has risen to an "all time high" of

40 per cent. However, the number of unitholders who say they are optimistic about unit trusts over the next year has risen slightly to 46 per cent. There has also been a marginal increase in the number of people holding personal equi-ty plans, from 27 per cent to 29 per cent.

Brenda Bates, director of planning at Gavin Anderson, said: "The post election eupho-ria has failed to translate into real investment activity as consumers watch and wait before taking the lead from the economy. Although there is greater optimism for the next 12 months, this hinges totally on signs of economic

The survey was carried out for Gavin Anderson by Consensus Research International, which interviewed 600 unitholders over the telephone between June 22 and July 10.



tions deteriorate still further". Tempus, page 18



End of the marathon road: ADT is to cease sponsoring the London marathon, which attracts thousands of runners, after four years

ADT makes a sharp recovery

BY OUR CITY STAFF

ADT, the electronic security systems and car auctions group, reports a sharp recovery in net income in the first half of 1992, from a \$7.4 mil-lion loss to a \$54.4 million

Michael Ashcroft, the chairman and chief executive officer of ADT, which yesterday confirmed that it was dropping its sponsorship of the London Marathon, predicted that income from the two core operations for the year would exceed that reported for 1991.

Second-quarter income was \$37.6 million, or \$0.29 a share, and lifted earnings per share for the six months to

Mr Ashcroft said the improvement was due to improved contributions from the two core businesses and to a lower interest charge. However, the company received less from its associates — \$800,000 against \$6.1 million — and had to pay out more in respect of its exchangeable redeemable preference shares. He saidthat the

security systems sold in North America during the first half was up 20 per cent. The auctions division performed well. In America, the volume of cars handled from domestic manufacturers during the first six months matched 1991 record levels.

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The group's ill-starred equity investment in Lep Group has already been written down to nil in the balance sheet.

Sport, page 26

US fails to make progress in trade talks with Europe

FROM TOM WALKER IN BRUSSELS

CARLA Hills, the US trade representative, left Brussels for London empty handed yesterday. Any hopes she had of breaking new ground with the European Commission over the world trade talks were dashed by the commission's paralysis in the face of the

French vote on Maastricht. A statement from Frans Andriessen, external relations commissioner, that Ms Hills had enjoyed "constructive and amicable" talks confirmed the suspicions of those used to the EC's diplomacy that no real

progress had been made. The only good news for the commission is Washington's recognition that September 29, when the General Agree ment on Tariffs and Trade council meets in Geneva, is too soon for America and the EC to settle their dispute over subsidies in the oilseed sector. With the French referendum not until September 20.

nine days will not be sufficient

for the two sides to settle their

differences over an argument revise its oilseeds subsidy in which they cannot even agree the rules. Given the diametric opposition of the two camps, the

Yesterday, a spokesman for Mr Andriessen said the commission still believed America was flouting Gatt rules by threatening trade sanctions against at least \$1 billion worth of EC farm exports if the oilseeds row was not resolved. But the US Mission to the EC said the commission was ignoring two Gatt judgments linking the EC oilseed regime to trade distortion.

A commission spokesman said: "The measures they are talking about are based on US trade rules and are not com-

patible with Gatt rules." Brussels claims it is not breaking Gatt rules and still wants to settle the dispute by paying compensation to American soybean farmers who can prove their profits have been dented by EC

Washington rejects this ap-proach and says the EC must

rises 45% at halfway

announcement bu Ray Mac-

Sharry, the EC farm commis-

sioner, that he will step down

in December because he be-

lieves his job is done, appears

at odds with reality.

The same applies to the claim in Geneva by Arthur

Dunkel, the Gatt secretary

general, that a new Gatt

agreement can be drawn up

☐ Every negotiator, including

Japan, is expected to accept

Gatt's final draft to complete

the Uruguay Round of world trade talks, Mr Dunkel said

yesterday. He added: "The task we

have in the Uruguay Round is

to try to reconcile the confront-

ations... The finalised pro-

posals do not mean each

participant will not have to

move to some extent, but the

movements asked are relative-

before the end of the year.

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Hansberger, the Bahamian fund management group that recently agreed a \$913 million merger with a Californian asset manager, boosted net profits by 45 per cent to \$43.2 million in the first half of this year due to a heavy inflow of funds.

The group is not paying an interim dividend under the terms of its merger with Franklin Resources. Last year. the dividend was seven cents a share. These are likely to be the last results from Templeton as an independent group and highlight the group's continuing popularity among private investors. Templeton's assets under management grew 12 per cent to \$21.3

Cash reserves grew 14 per cent to \$166 million. This will be distributed to shareholders as part of the terms of the merger with Franklin.

Grant: urges buying would be no recovery in the TUC chief urges Heseltine to be friends

By Patricia Tehan

NORMAN Willis, general secretary of the Trades Union Congress, is holding out a hand of friendship to Michael Heseltine, president of the Board of Trade.

In a letter to Mr Heseltine, he urges the government to work more closely with the unions. He also added his voice to calls from the heads of British industry for the government to take a more expansionary fiscal stance.

There is growing pressure in the TUC for a dialogue between unions and the government. Gillian Shephard, employment secretary, has signalled an end to the war between government and the unions, once one final piece of trade union reforming legislation has made its way through Parliament

In his letter, Mr Willis expressed "the TUC's deep concern at the damage being inflicted on Britain's industrial base by

the continued recession." He said: There was considerable consensus within the National Economic Development Council that Britain still had much to do in terms of investment and training effort in order to catch our main European competitors. The subsequent cutbacks in industrial investment and production in Britain stand in contrast to the experience of most of the European Community. This can only widen the gap between British industry

and industry in the rest of Europe." The TUC plans to put forward more detailed proposals for a jobs package at its annual congress next week. In his letter, Mr Willis is critical of the policies of the 1980s. Had these policies produced a strong manufacturing base in Britain, he argued, "the recession would not have gone on so long, or have had such a devastating impact on the

industrial base". The TUC argues for a social partnership for manufacturing industry, one which acknowledges the shared commitment and responsibility of government, employers and trade unions to improving competitiveness and promote change in the workplace,"

Mr Willis wants Mr Heseltine to acknowledge the role that unions, together with employers and government, can play in improving the competitiveness of

British Industry. He has sent Mr Heseltine a copy of the TUC's proposed submission to the NEDC meeting in July, cancelled following the Chancellor's abolition of the NEDC. He said he hopes Mr Heseltine "will share my view that there is sufficient common ground between gov-ernment, employers and trade unions to pursue these issues in future discussions".

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BRITISH FUNDS

THE one real curiosity about yesterday's interim results from Persimmon is that Duncan Davidson, the house builder's chairman, could ever have imagined that they would turn out differently.

Mr Davidson and his team knew full well that expensive land bought in the late eighties would be working its way through the Persimmon housebuilding machine this year. What was going to rescue margins? A sudden rise in house prices? A sharp jump in sales? Surely Mr Davidson has been building houses for too long for much credence to be attached to either in conditions like these? But six months ago, Persimmon was happy to live with analysts' forecasts approaching £25 million for the current year.

True, expectations were nudged towards £20 million three months ago but, in the light of first half pre-tax profits of just £7.3 million. even that looks optimistic. Why the shortfall? We shall probably never know, but the stock market will remember the unwelcome surprise long after it has forgotten the

The irony is that, surprise apart, there appears to be nothing in the results to tarnish Persimmon's hitherto respected reputation, espe-cially given the refreshing policy of only writing down in the 13,300 plot land bank. Such a policy made a squeeze on margins inevitable. So it proved, with margins slumping from 18.2 per cent to 10.1

per cent. Although the average selling price rose marginally to £63,000, prices on a like-forlike basis were about 8 per cent down on the year. The average cost of achieving each sale through a range of incentives is a margin shrinking £5.000 per completion.

The company's commitment to increasing volumes was successful, with a record 1,128 units sold. Further increases should flow from the 40 new sites that the com-



Nasty surprise: Duncan Davidson, Persimmon's chairman, announced interim profits down to £7.3 million

pany has brought on stream at a cost of about £12 million. one of the factors responsible for a rise in net borrowings to £32 million and gearing to 32

Profits of about £16 million look possible, which after yesterday's sharp fall puts the shares on a price earnings multiple of more than 13 and a yield of 7.7 per cent, assuming a maintained final dividend. After yesterday's surprise, first-time buyers might require further assurances before parting with

Mactarlane

FURTHER proof that tightlyrun companies that live within their means can survive in this recession, and even prosper, comes with a 13 per cent advance in pre-tax profits at Macfarlane Group (Clansman) in the first half of 1992.

Turnover edged ahead only marginally, at £42.3 million, but Lord Macfarlane's team has kept a firm grip on costs throughout the group, and of course, with £6 million in the bank, there are no crippling interest payments to make. All three divisions within

the group increased their contribution to profits, including the main packaging business, still responsible for some 70 per cent of the whole. Perhaps the most welcome news, however, is that the socalled development division, dominated by the self-adhesive label business, has returned to profit. Macfarlane is feeling the

Part of this comes now in the shape of an increased

same recessionary pressures

as everyone else, and sees no

hint of an upturn in its

markets, but is a company

that is justifiably in a position

to take advantage of the conditions, and the "out-

standing investment opportu-nities" that Lord Macfarlane

Mark Hudson, at BZW,

sees no reason to alter his

prediction that the group can

make £9.8 million over the full

year, even though he remains

at the top of the market range.

This would equal Macfar-lane's record 1990 per-

formance and produce earn-

ings of more than 13p a share.

justifying a further hike in the

dividend, perhaps to 4.8p a

believes will arise.

interim payment of 1.88p, against 1.75p, which sets the group on course for its twentieth annual dividend rise.

The market has consistently shared Lord Macfarlane's confidence, as witnessed by the resilience of the share price in the face of tumbling equity markets in recent months. At 177p yesterday, 2p higher on the day, they sell for just over 13 times prospective earnings, and if conditions generally were not so soggy, would be a firm buy. As it is they are a strong hold.

Haynes Publishing

FORGET circulation wars. The philosophy of Haynes Publishing Group is: go for profits - and be damned.

involved a further reduction in the headcount, Haynes is able to report a sharp improvement in margins and a stronger balance sheet for the year to end-May. Pre-tax profits jumped from £26,000 to £2.37 million on a cent to £21.2 million

Having restructured its Brit-

ish division, which has in-

volved the number of titles

being pruned from 1,000 to

about 500, and has also

turnover that rose by 10 per figure which masks a particu-larly soft second-half turnover in Britain. The final dividend is raised from 1.5p to 3.5p, making a total of 6p, against 2.5p. But for £928,000 of excep

tional costs, of which £528,000 were associated with a lower headcount, pretax profits might well have challenged the peak levels seen in 1990, when E3.09 million was recorded. Perhaps this year.

The general dusting up of UK operations saw net borrowings fall from E4 million to £1.3 million, equivalent to 14 per cent gearing, and Haynes has its sights on being totally ungeared as soon as possible. Meanwhile, the group is set to reap £1 million of cost savings that will flow from a reduced workforce, and is casting its eye over selected European markets, in which it aims to

The American division ended its year cash positive and turned in higher profits in a difficult market but, as in Britain, the American eco-nomic outlook in 1993 is uncertain.

More productivity gains are likely this year, and Haynes should be capable of achieving pre-tax profits about the million mark

At 194p, up 4p, the shares trade on 10.9 times prospective earnings, backed by a 4.1 per cent yield. Haynes is attractive not only for further profits improvements, but also as a vehicle for any foreign group wanting a foot-hold in Britain and on to the Continent. Hold on.

WORLDWARE FOR

American blue chips rise in late morning

New York — Shares were little changed in directionless, latemorning dealings, although rising airline shares helped to lift the Dow transport index. The Dow Jones industrial average was 3.65 points higher at 3,261, having been as high as 3,262 and as low as 3,254.

☐ Hong Kong — Prices closed firmer after an early-morning dip as selling orders began to dry up by mid-morning, although turnover remained thin. The Hang Seng index finished the day 82.97 points higher at 5,711.97. Brokers saw room for a further rise this month. The all-ordinaries index closed 37.80 points up at 3,041.11 on a turnover of HK\$2.71 billion (about £177 million). HSBC Holdings led

gaining HK\$2 to close at HK\$56.50 on the back of last week's results. ☐ Frankfurt — The dollar's renewed tumble and a gloomy forecast about the country's economy from a business leader sent shares falling 1.3 per cent. The Dax index lost

the list of most active shares.

22.55 points to 1.518.70. virtually wiping out Monday's 24.78-point gain.

☐ Singapore — Prices closed easier on thin selling, led by concerns at the market's lack of direction. The Straits Times industrial index fell 3.08 points to 1,375.46.

Sydney — Shares closed lower in a generally quiet day.

The all-ordinaries index closed 4.7 points lower at

Nikkei falls 321 points in indifferent trading

Tokyo — Shares closed lower in listless, dealer-driven trading. The Nikkei index fell 321.06 points, or 1.78 per cent, to 17,740.06. Incentivebacked issues supported by special factors or speculation were the focus of activity, while revived fears about earnings revisions affected leading high-technology shares. Turnover slipped to about 550 million shares, compared with 565 million shares on Monday. Institutional investors remained on the sidelines.

One Japanese broker said: Nobody is really buying or selling very aggressively.
People are getting bored."
Prices opened modestly weaker and drifted lower as investors moved to take profits after the market's robust fourday rally. The Nikkei quickly slipped below 18,000 to reach its low for the day, at 17,699.72, in the late morning, down 361.4 points from Monday's close. In the afternoon, it fluctuated in a narrow band to end just above its low. The Nikkei was 1,359.29 points above last Tuesday's

Ken Nakamichi, of Morgan Stanley, said: "The Nikkei index is likely to move in a range from 17,500 to 18,500 for now." Declining shares outnumbered rising shares by about five to two, with 751 lower, 285 higher and 82 unchanged.

SMALLER COMPANIES

Storm weathers slippery shares

ing companies have A ing company relationship with the City, best illustrated by the lacklustre performance of shares in Sleepy Kids and Poddington since flotation on the stock market. Storm Group, known for the popular Shoe People cartoon, has stumbled across the same hurdle and its shares have slipped from 19p to 10p over the past year, compared with the 25p flotation price in 1989. But the company is far from discouraged and is pressing ahead with plans to create one of Europe's leading animation and licensing concerns.

Two significant developments took place in the first half of this year. Storm acquired FilmFair, a subsidiary of Central Television, for £1.73 million, strengthening its portfolio of characters, with a back catalogue that includes The Wombles, Paddington Bear and The Perishers. That was followed by Storm's appointment as Paramount Pictures' exclusive licensing and merchandising representative in Britain.

Storm's licensing operation has been restructured to manage the anticipated increase in business. A dedicated licensing operation in London covers Britain and has separate teams managing the company's properties and third-party representations, such as Paramount.

Despite the reorganisation, licensing and merchandising activities, helped by Paramount. contributed to earnings in the first half when Storm saw profits rise from £50,000 before tax to £407,000, and earnings per share from 0.07p to 0.38p. The company hopes to pay its first dividend at the end of the second half.

The company structure now bears a resemblance to Carlton Communications in its infancy. It is a far cry from the days when James Driscoll, now chairman of Storm, created Shoe People. including PC Boot, Trampy and Wellington, which have become firm favourites on children's television on both sides of the Atlantic. FilmFair completed three

animation productions for Independent Television in the first half and expects to complete another three for GMTV, the BBC and ITV in the second half. A cartoon version of Treasure Island is also in production. torm also has a portfolio of trade publications serving the international licensing.

merchandising and toy in-dustries in Britain and America. These made a small loss in the first half. reflecting the impact of the recession and of the reorganisation that followed the acquisition of Toy and Hobby World magazine, a leading American toy trading magazine. The simultaneous acqui-

sitions of FilmFair and Toy and Hobby World were funded via a placing and open offer of one new share for every two held at 13p each, raising £3.27 million. The cash call generated additional funds to meet the cost of Storm's ambitious production schedule, which will underpin licensing and merchandising activities in the long term. Investors who have so far waited patiently as Storm's strategy gained momentum are un-

likely to be disappointed. MARTIN BARROW

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STOCK MARKET

Shares slide as investors worry about ailing pound

THE ailing pound was again causing anxiety for investors in the equity market, where share prices dipped below the 2,300 level.

Sterling's renewed weakness against the mark sent a shudder through the Square Mile as it came perilously close to its basement level with the exchange-rate mechanism.

Reassurances during the weekend that this was mainly a problem for the dollar and that the pound was now over the worst seemed to have a hollow ring for most fund Many of them now seem

content to maintain a low profile until such time as the pound stabilises, or the outcome of the French referendum on the Maastricht treaty is known.

As a result selling pressure was minimal yesterday with turnover levels turnbling to some of their lowest of the By the close of business, only

312 million shares had changed hands. The FT-SE 100 index drew some comfort from an opening rise on Wall Street, but the absence of support in London provided little scope for a sustainable

The FT-SE 100 index eventually closed 14.2 points down at 2.298.4, its lowest point since February, 1991.

Depressed brokers believe that the market still has further to fall and that the next few weeks, being the run-up to the French referendum, could test the nerve of institutional investors and private investors

Among the leaders, there were losses for ICI, 2p to £10.63. BAT Industries, 17p to 723p. BOC Group, 12p to 610p BET, 10p to 104p. Courtanids, 17p to 412p, Glaxo, 16p to 706p, Redland. 13p to 351p and SmithKline Beecham, 13p to 431p.

Dealers are hoping that the large number of the leading companies unveiling their half-year trading statements within the next few weeks will provide some sort of update on trading conditions and the state of the economy. The interim dividend sea-

son starts tomorrow, with figures from Ladbroke, the betting, property and hotels group. Analysts are forecasting a

rise in Ladbroke's pre-tax prof-its from £98.2 million to £105

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million and a maintained dividend. But the profits are expected to be distorted by surpluses from the sale of properties, totalling £20

Ladbroke's shares have been a weak market of late. sliding from a peak of 220p. They closed last night 2p

firmer at 143p.

Cadbury Schweppes, the soft drinks and confectionery group, was a weak market. losing 7p at 329p before the half-year figures later this month. Analysts are worried that the poor summer will have hit the sales of soft

Rank Organisation's shares fell 14p to 490p after Kleinwort Benson, the broker. ness. Persistent worries about over-capacity again took its toll of the overseas package tour operators. Estimates circulating in the City claim that only 10 million holiday packages out of a total of 30 million have been sold so far this year. Falls were seen in Owners

Airtours, 13p to 173p. The high street clearing banks enjoyed an early markup, excited by the talk of proposals to end the free banking for current accountholders who remain in the

But brokers later had second thoughts, worried by the possible defection of customers to the rival building societies. As a result, Barciays

There was some excitement in the drinks sector amid claims that Vaux, the brewer based in Sunderland, had cancelled a meeting with Warburg Securities, the broker, at late notice. This led to speculation that Vaux may be about to take the acquisition trail again. Boddington, which last year failed in its effort to secure Devenish, is being tipped by some as a bid target. Boddington improved 3p to 165p.

decided to cut its pre-tax profit forecast for the current year by £17 million to £228 million and for next year by £34 million to £287 million. Kleinwort Benson appears

to have made its move following the gloomy remarks last week by Scottish & Newcastle at its annual meeting concerning its Center Parcs holiday centres. The cutback in consumer spending is being felt heavily by leisure companies and there is still no sign of an

Rank, which owns the Butlin's and Warner's holiday camps, is also feeling the squeeze and is attempting to reduce costs in order to counter the decline in busifinished 2p lighter at 286p. after touching 293p, Lloyds reverted to close unchanged at 402p, after 408p, TSB Group ended 1p lower at 126p, after 129p. while National Westminster firmed 7p to 301p and HSBC rose 4p to 344p.

Fisons reached 180p on

claims that Opticrom, the

group's eye treatment drug. had finally been approved by the American Food and Drug Administration. Marketing of the drug in the United States was halted after the FDA decided that the group's production methods had dropped below the standard required. But Fisons quickly played down the report, saying that if approval had been granted

the company would have is-sued a press release. Fisons is due to unveil its interim figures next Tuesday. The shares later closed 5p better at 173p. Half-year figures from Per-

simmon, the housebuilder, clearly reflected the effects of the slump, with pre-tax profits dropping 42 per cent to £7.25 million. Duncan Davidson. the chairman, said that the company was doing as well as could be expected under the circumstances. First-time buyers remained worried about rising unemployment.

The news from Persimmon also took its toll on the other housebuilders, with Barratt Developments falling 8p to 41p. Bellway dropping 10p to 200, Berkeley Group losing 6p to 192p, Countryside Properties declining 5p to 55p. Lilley falling 1p to 84 p. Prowting falling 4p to 85p, Westbury losing 5p to 57p. Wilson Bowden dropping 20p to 232p and Wilson (Cosnolly), dropping 5p to 100p. George Wimpey was another weak market, falling 12p to 85p before its figures shortly, which are expected to show a further downturn. Analysts are already forecast-

ing a cut in the dividend. There was little respite for the building products sector. Last week, County NatWest, the broker, turned seller of the sector, forecasting that 18 of the 31 companies it covered would cut the dividend.

There were new sethacks for Anglian Group, 6p to 198p, BPB Industries, 5p to 132p. Blue Circle Industries, 7p to 151p, Hepworth, 6p to 258p, Marley, 2p to 66p and Pilkington, 3p to 86p. Henlys, the coach-builder,

fell 5p to 62p after it emerged that T Cowie's £30 million offer for the company had lapsed after receiving only 42.6 per cent acceptances. Cowie finished the session 5½p better at 126p. Lucas Industries, the auto-

motive and aerospace components group, fell 6p to 77p after a group of its pensioners decided to challenge the legality of the transfer of £150 million from the pension fund to the company. Lucas said the money had

been legally transferred by the pension fund's trustees last year and with the permission of the unions and most of the pensioners.

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Customers called to account

COMMENT

The mere suggestion that the wicked banks are thinking of charging the good citizens of Britain for using their bank accounts has been enough to provoke predictable wails of protest from consumer groups and politicians alike. Banks are reviewing their charges constantly in a search for profits to counter bad-debt provisions. But there is little chance that any institution will introduce charges on credit balances this month, or even this year. Such a move would be exploited instantly by its rivals and lead to a slump in market share.

Banks are right to question whether the 20 per cent of customers who run overdrafts should pay the entire cost of running the network for the benefit of the majority of account holders who remain in credit. Intensifying competition in the late eighties scared banks into offering imprudent bargains to current

Today, the average account costs hundreds of pounds a year to run, but customers receive everything free, if they stay in credit. Accounts are still often free when they are up to £100 in the red. The banks are effectively giving money away at the expense of their borrowers, who are being forced to bear rising charges and interest margins as a result.

Banks now regret introducing such generous terms and believe that their customers should pay for the services they use. The problem they face is how to achieve this without causing a public outcry. There is

There is one area, however, that public watchdogs should guard against. A simultaneous move by the lenders to introduce charges may be innocent, because they all face the same financial pressures, but should be reviewed closely by the Office of Fair

Bidding goodbye

ostile takeover bids, arguably the bane of corporate life for the past decade, have all but disappeared. In the eighties, industrialists complained of perpetual short-term decisions to boost their share prices to keep bidders at bay and not being given a chance to lay down long-term

At the end of June, nine takeover bids lay on the table for British companies. After yesterday's failure by Cowie to land Henlys, the number is down to three. One is the compulsory Hartwell bid for Trimoco, another is the £476 million agreed bid for Templeton Galbraith, the fund manager, by Franklin and the third is the bid for Dana Exploration.

The failure of Cowie's £30 million share bid, with part cash alternative, adds to the recent successful defence by Manders, the paint group, against Kalon's £107 million share bid and the resistance by Morland to Greene King's £101 million share bid with cash alternative bid.

The notable bid successes of late, Midland-Hong Kong, Capital and Counties-Transatlantic and Tyne Tees TV-Yorkshire TV, were all agreed. TI's successful attack on Dowty is an exception.

Remarkably, the Henlys share price languished well below the Cowie offer during the final stages, leaving fund managers with three options. Accept Cowie's shares and cash, sell in the market, or hold preferred the latter, indicating they think the market will be brighter in the future. But the dearth of corporate activity suggests this is some way off.

It is simply another sign that Britain works on an all or nothing principle, swinging from boom to bust with the economic cycle. Now is probably not the time to say it, but it was membership of the exchangerate mechanism that was intended to smooth out such cyclical extremes.

The time has come for investors to take Taurus by the horns

Sir Andrew Hugh

Smith says the Stock

Exchange's computer settlement system will

deepen the 'share

owning democracy'

sk anyone who reads the financial pages of a national newspaper what they know about Taurus and they will probably tell you that it is going to do away with share certificates. In the next breath, they will add either that it is, "much delayed", or "long awaited". Both of these are true, but I prefer the latter, and am confident that the majority of those involved with the stock market are looking forward to Taurus being operational without further diversion.

I say the majority, because a project of this magnitude, which is going to implement significant change, will never please all of the people all of the time. However, contrary to some suggestions, Taurus is a securities industry development and not some fatuous Stock Exchange whim. To put this into context: Taurus will link about 400 stockbrokers, about 200 quoted companies, registrars, banks, custodians, nominees and numerous software houses. Their business goals seldom converge, so compromise and flexibility have been crucial factors throughout. Set all this against a backdrop of substantial changes to company law to meet government regulatory requirements, and you will begin to understand the hurdles that have earned Taurus the description,

"much delayed".

The real hurdles have been overcome, enormous progress has been made and Taurus will soon emerge as something that introduces visible improvements to UK equity settle-

The copious amounts of paper on the operational side will disappear. creating an electronic share transfer and registration service that will be more accurate, faster and consequently less risk-prone. Repeats of the well-publicised 1987 backlogs will be ruled out and London will end up with what will arguably be the most efficient settlement system in the world. The securities industry will match the banking industry, in terms of cost and simplicity, once securities are moved with the same speed and certainty as funds.

So we have an essential industrywide development engineered to ensure that London retains its leading position in the international arena. At this point, some people begin to panic. What about private relate to the loss of share certificates, system security and a complex design said to be hostile to private investors. While I can understand people's concerns at the prospect of change to a system that has been in existence for more than 100 years, it certainly would be alarming if any of these issues had not been addressed from the beginning. Private shareholders currently total about 10 million and



City radical: Sir Andrew will preside over the end of a system in place for more than a century

of transactions.

The exchange fully supports any initiatives that will contribute to deeper share ownership, hence the support given to the creation of ProShare this year. However, I do believe that until Taurus is operational, the opportunities for a "shareowning democracy" remain limited. It is the computer infrastructure, supported by secure communications links, that will present opportunities to widen access to the stock market. both at home and overseas.

Perhaps I should emphasise that private client stockbrokers represented private investors' interests on the original Taurus design committee. There has since been full public consultation on relevant issues such as investor protection, the regulatory framework and education.

Taurus has, in fact, been designed to reflect the existing market structure as much as possible. The changes it brings will relate to the way in which are maintained and to the transfer of

Under Taurus, trading will not differ greatly from today except that there will be no need to present a share certificate or sign a stock transfer form. Instead, investors will receive a computerised statement of their stock holding as and when each company in which they hold stock joins Taurus. The statements will

account for 70 per cent of the volume serve a similar purpose to today's certificate in terms of providing the shareholder with a record of ownership. They will be identified by an account number, which contrary to popular misconception, will not have to be memorised any more than a bank or building society account

> Investors will receive separate statements from each of the companies in which they hold stock, so again, things will not differ significantly Registrars are currently working

together with the Exchange to agree a standard format for the statement. so any fears that unintelligible computer printouts will arrive through the letterbox are again unfounded. New statements will be issued at least annually and whenever a share holding changes.

n a high-tech age, fraud and computer hacking have a high profile. What implications will recording of shareholdings? Again, the importance attached to system security cannot be stressed enough and it must be said that part of the delay to date has been due to the need to enforce exacting criteria, previously unknown even within the financial world. The most modern technology will be used to ensure that the system is impenetrable by unauthorised persons. There will always be doubters or maybe those who simply need reassurance, so I feel compelled to answer the inevitable "What if"? In the unlikely event that something does go wrong within the Taurus network, there will be extensive protection measures in place.

Our priority in designing Taurus was to ensure the highest level of protection for private investors. The government took a similar view and much of the Taurus legislation has been developed with investor protection in mind. The Stock Exchange has a statutory responsibility to screen participants in Taurus and government ministers took care to ensure that private investors would be protected by straightforward complaints procedures and, in the ultimate eventuality, a new and substantial

If you are still not convinced, think about this. Each day, up to 30,000 deals are struck on the stock market. For settlement, the seller's name is removed from the share register and sounds simple, but today each transfer requires a small army of clerks to move pieces of paper around the country. That is a waste of paper, time and money.

Taurus compensation scheme.

I hope I have allayed any unneces-sary but understandable fears harboured by private investors. The exchange's education campaign is under way and all quoted companies have received comprehensive information outlining the steps they need to take to join Taurus. All shareholders will receive full

details of Taurus well before any company in which they hold stock asks shareholders to pass the necessary resolution. It will take about two years for all companies to join Taurus, so inevitably there will be a period when investors with several holdings will have a combination of share certificates and statements. It will be well controlled and highly publicised, so investors need do nothing until they receive instructions directly from the company or their stockbroker.

n the three months since company voting began. Stock Exchange staff have attended several companies AGMs. Based on a majority shareholder vote, about 40 companies, including FT-SE constituents and privatisation issues, such as BT, with its 2.6 million shareholders, and Yorkshire Water. have now passed an enabling resolution to join Taurus at a mutually agreed date. I am encouraged by this response and believe it illustrates the inaccuracy of scaremongering sug-gestions that Taurus is the enemy of the private investor.

Taurus will make a big improvement to current efficiency but it should definitely not be regarded as an end in itself. It will lay the foundations for future innovations and developments within the securi-

Freed from the shackles of paper processing, brokers and registrars are looking to technology to find new ways of serving investors. Money and stock will both move quickly, linking these processes to today's automated dealing systems is not an enormous task and investor benefits will be

Registrars acting for companies will be able to standardise registers and pass messages to each other electronically, so a central registration system for shareholdings, as envisaged by our colleagues at ProShare, may not be far off. The idea of centrally recorded shareholder records is certainly attractive but it is something that can only be carried forward once the Taurus infrastructure is in place.

Stockbrokers are also looking at new services to offer their clients; they may have more time to spend on investment advice, and the greater efficiency of Taurus will facilitate the administration of portfolio management. Taurus is not being built to the advantage of one particular sector. It will be for each organisation to determine how best to use and develop it for its customers' benefit.

Improvements to domestic share transfer and registration are vital. Once in place, Taurus will contribute continued position as a leading international financial centre. I am not going to speculate here but I am sure that in the months ahead, subeditors are going to be coming up with radically different ways of describing Taurus. Many superlatives spring to mind.

Sir Andrew Hugh Smith is chairman of the London Stock Exchange.

THE TIMES CITY DIARY

Midland merger casualties

THE first casualties in the

Hongkong & Shanghai-Mid-

land Bank merger have been

shown the door, with Midland Bank's employees coming off much the worse. At the end of last week, hot on the heels of an internal memorandum detailing the structure of the new organisation, 29 individuals in the asset management divisions were served with redundancy notices - 18 within Midland Montagu and 11 at James Capel, Hongkong & Shanghai's London broker. A Midland spokesman says: "They were all told about it on Friday and they were across the board. They will have included one or two senior people, as high as director level." Of the 29 redundancies, 12 were front office, 17 back office and none were voluntary. "It was all heralded under the terms of future integration as outlined in Hongkong & Shanghai's offer document for Midland earlier this year." Midland Montagu Asset Management is due to begin physical integration next week when it moves from Lower Thames Street into James Capel Asset Management's offices in Devonshire Square. The Midland spokesman denies there are further redundancies still to come. "That's it." he says. But only as far as asset management is

OF CHANGES

THE PARTY

Wild cats

A BAND with the unedifying name of Dead Cat Bounce may not sound the obvious



choice for the Lord Mayor's Ball in the Merchant Taylors Hall on September 18, but Sir Brian Jenkins, the Lord Mayor, need not worry. The rock 'n' roll group is made up of an actress and five City fund managers and brokers, including Richard Berry, of Gerrard Vivian Gray, and Nicholas Hollings, a unit trust portfolio manager, previously with Henderson Administration and now with James Capel. For the uninitiated, cat bounce, far from being an embarrassing new dance, is the Wall Street term the group has chosen as its name. Guitarist, Piers Williamson, of Kleinwort Benson, explains: "It means a temporary market recovery after a crash. We're not wild really, just frustrated pop stars." Having said that, however. Hollings, one of his fellow performers, admits that one of the band's party pieces is to stage a limbo dancing contest while another is to play an audience-participation ver-

sion of Jump, by Van Halen.

"Everybody seems to want to

jump towards the end of the

evening," Hollings says. He agrees that, given the weight of his chains of office, the Lord Mayor might be precluded from participating but he re-veals that Ann, the Lady Mayoress, is expected to take part. "Apparently, she's quite batty, good fun and the whole thing was her idea," Hollings says approvingly. "Yes," a Guildhall spokesman confirms. "She's certainly very enthusiastic and hands on."

Tall tales

JOURNALIST Nicholas Coleridge, also managing di-rector of Conde Nast, has been leaping to the defence of his father, David, again, in the wake of the vote at Lloyd's last week that vindicated him. Now the worst seems over, Coleridge junior admits that one of the scourges of the past few years has been the number of "fictitious" stories printed about his father in various newspapers, linking him with everyone from Pavarotti to the Queen. "The Pavarotti story involved some absolutely tiny offshoot of Lloyd's insuring Pavarotti and something going wrong but it was all hailed as usual as 'further trouble' for the 'beleaguered' Lloyd's chairman," the younger Coleridge says. Such stories, he adds, caused much puzzlement over the cornflakes in his father's household. "My father is a great news-aholic and for years he believed everything he read in the newspapers. When all this happened, he thought some of stories were very funny but he was also completely baffled."_

Flying in formation would bring mutual benefits From Malise Graham possessed three times as many repay their bank loans. Ex-

Sir, The BA/USAir argument for their proposed merger is more than justified, being mutually beneficial to them and to the US airlines industry.

Since 1945, US carriers

have benefited from "freedom rights" within Europe. The European Commissioner for Transport, Dr Karen van Miers, noted at a briefing at the commission's London office "these are in effect cabotage rights, rights which our carriers do not have at all in the United States; moreover when BA's three slots in Tokyo were confiscated and increased access to UK airports granted to US carriers, they

Paying by results

Sir, So the director general of the Confederation of British

Industry reckons civil servants

should finance their own pay

rises through efficiency gains (August 24). If he and his fellow captains of industry

were to apply this philosophy

to their own increases, one

wonders whether they would

be as astronomical as some

recent cases in point.

GRAHAM LARKBEY,

61 Hornsey Lane Gardens,

Yours faithfully,

From Mr G. Larkbey

Tokyo slots as EC carriers

The US carriers demand for "equal opportunities" indicates either the phasing out of "freedom rights" or their re-ciprocation in the US. This latter option is inherent in the proposed BA/USAir deal. (Cabotage "is the reserva-

tion by a country to itself, of the right of air traffic within its borders... as far as the progress of international transport is concerned cabotage is about the finest form of sabotage".)

The underlying problem of US airlines is financial. According to Air Transport World magazine they cannot

pecting that new aircraft would continue their historic rise in value, banks have been lending up to 125 per cent of their price. However, with the decline in traffic since 1989 many new planes are "moth-balled". US airlines losses since 1989 - \$6.5 billion -

exceed the total profits of the past 70 years. In contrast, Britsh Airways, is the word's most profitable airline. Consequently a new air services agreement based on "equal opportunites" would be mutually beneficial. on Yours truly, MALISE GRAHAM.

40 Morris Road, Lewes, Sussex.

Manufacturing capacity needs restoring

Sir, Your Business Leader (August 25) "Overvaluation of Sterling" could well have referred to the continuing rise of imports (even in a recession) and the undervaluation of manufacturing industry.

amongst retailers of the high street and warehouse varieties demonstrates the increasing range of low-tech products being imported from high wage economies. Metal chairs from the USA, gas barbecues from Canada, wooden domes-

represent real progress. Pen-

sions would retain their value.

Poverty could be properly ad-

dressed. Saving could be nor-

mal again. Mr Major and Mr

Lamont appear to be the only

people who think this way,

and I for one hope they will

continue to do so.

GORDON DUNN.

Ullapool, Wester Ross.

Yours faithfully,

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Waiting for zero

From Mr Gordon Dunn Sir. Wouldn't it be marvellous if there was zero inflation. In every industry and business, price lists could be printed again. Taxes could remain stable apart from continuous small refinements downwards. A salary increase would be entirely for merit. Increased CAROL LEONARD | numover in a business would

tic fitments from West Ger-From Mr Roger Harris

many, and so on. Surely this supports the views of Sir Michael Grylls, MP, that we must urgently look for new financial mechanisms by which we can reinforce and rebuild our

manufacturing idustry. All too soon the benefits of domesti-Recent observations cally produce crude oil will disappear and the crunch of returning to a world of real trading will face us. Those optimists of the eighties, who believed that the

future of our balance of payments was safe underpinned by financial services and tourism, are now seen to be wrong. Without a new and determined commitment to restore much of our manufacturing capacity, we will be bestowing on our grandchildren endless Yours faithfully ROGER W. HARRIS,

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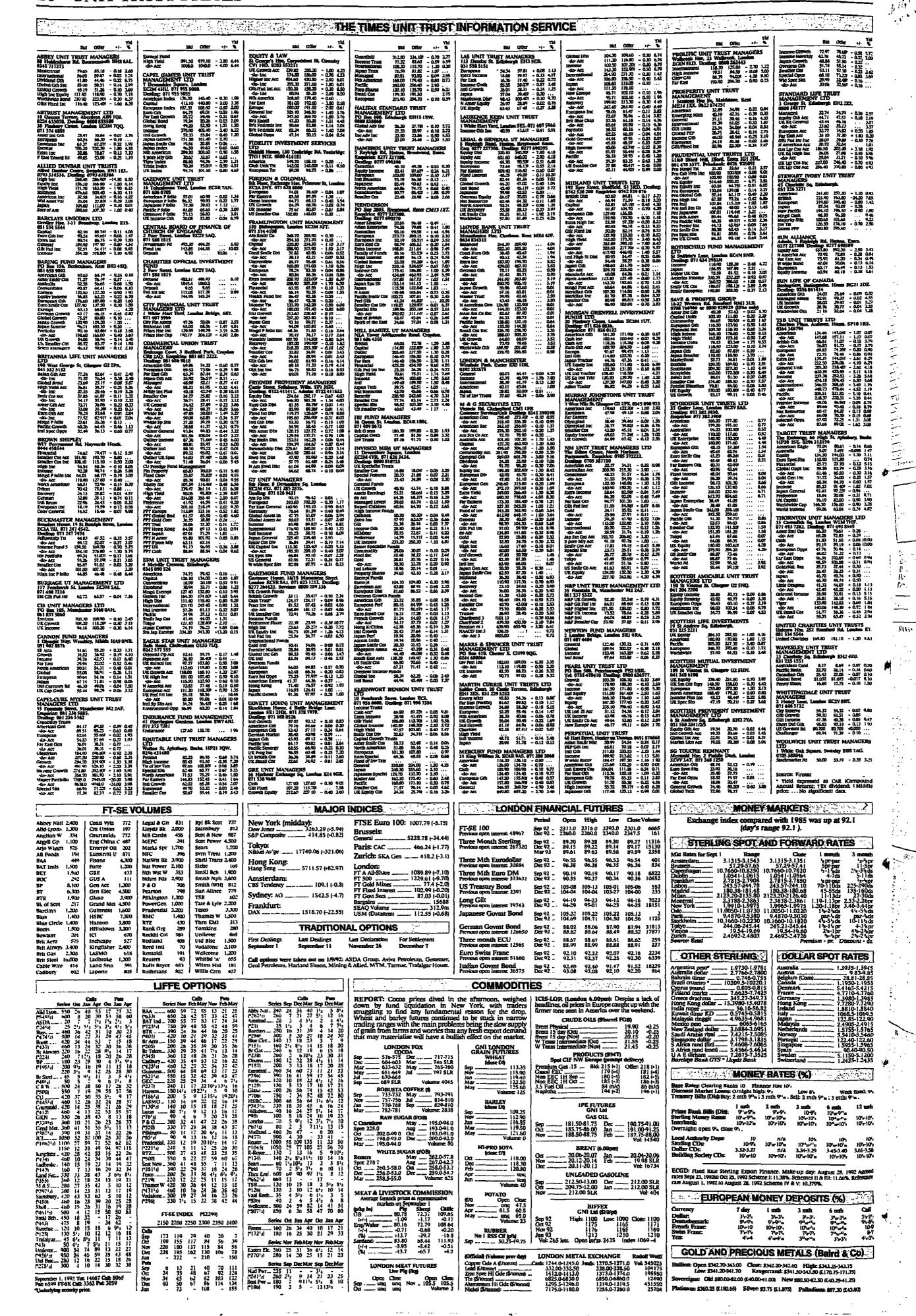
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FOCUS BEERS & LAGERS

From mergers with foreign competitors to running restaurants and making ice cream, brewers have looked for profit beyond their traditional markets

he ground-breaking 1989 enquiry into the beer industry by the Monopolies and Mergers Commission, the body implementing the government's competition policy was charged competition policy, was charged with watering down the power of the so-called "beerage", the tight group of companies that domi-

Brewing as a business consumes about 2 per cent of Britain's gross domestic product, and sales proba-bly amount to more than £9 billion a year. Many companies can trace their history back centuries -Whitbread, one of the best-established, this year celebrates 250 years in the business.

The dominance of the beerage, many of whose companies are family controlled despite their stock market quotes, has proved difficult to weaken, despite the enormous changes in drinking tastes in recent years. Even the mass popularity of lager, which now accounts for more than half the pints pulled or taken home in cans each year, has made little difference. Although, as a foreign product, lager might have been thought to have weakened the power of the brewers, most of them merely entered into hicrative deals

The beerage finds strength in diversity

with the big lager-makers, Conti-nental and more recently Australian or Canadian, and made those companies' products in their own breweries around Britain.

One such deal was the merger of the brewing interests of Allied-Lyons with the Danish Carlsberg business that was welcomed by both companies, in a phrase that deliberately echoed Carlsberg's successful catch phrase, as "probably the best merger in the world". The deal found less favour with the competition authorities and prompted a full enquiry by the commission earlier this year.

The commission's report, which contained evidence from both participants in the merger and the third parties that would be affected by it, showed that the dominance of the big brewers has continued unabated. The commission identified six of what it called national brewers. These are defined as companies whose business extends across Britain even if they are associated with one particular region and which own significant estates of tied pubs to which they sell their product. They are Allied-Lyons, Bass, Courage/ Grand Metropolitan, Scottish & Newcastle and Whitbread, the aristocrat of the sector.

The commission also took into consideration brewers that did not own pubs, the two most significant being Carlsberg and Guinness. The latter, still closely identified in most people's minds with the eponymous stout, has been a stock market success story, particularly since the court case that made the company rather than its product a household name.

The growth has had little to do with sales of beer within the British Isles, although Guinness has captured a significant chunk of the take-home market through two new products, canned draught stout and bitter. Guinness has instead forged ahead with a number of joint ventures and purchases of overseas interests, including Cruz Campo, the Spanish brewer bought for £500 million, and a strategic cross-shareholding with **ROUND FIGURES** Estimated share of beer production by major

brewers in 1991 (per cent)

Including imports, excluding 16 12 21

LVMH, the French luxury goods maker. The commission found that the biggest brewer by volume, by the number of pints pulled, of both ale and lager; was Bass, with 22 per cent of the market in 1991.

Bass realised early that there was more to the business world than producing beer.

The company is now the world's biggest hotelier after buying Holi-day Inns in 1989, although the wisdom of that purchase, so soon before the Gulf war sent world tourism into a tailspin, has yet to be proved to the City's satisfaction. Bass's brewing pre-eminence, however, has been confirmed by its ownership of Carling Black Label, Britain's best-selling lager brand.
Running just behind Bass, with

a 21 per cent market share, is one of the two big consolidations that have taken place since the 1989 commission report, the merged GrandMet/Courage operation. This deal went through only after extensive negotiations with the commission, requiring yet another industry report, and saw Grand-Met, a drinks and food combine of truly global scope, transfer its brewing operations to Courage, the British arm of Fosters, the

Australian brewer. In return, the two put their joint pub estate into a second company, inntrepreneur, which aimed to encourage young, energetic landlords into the business. GrandMet is now focusing more on its international brands, which include Green Giant vegetables, Smirnoff vodka and Häagen-Dazs

ice cream.

The Allied-Carlsberg link that sparked this year's report would have a 16 per cent share of the beer and lager market if, as seems likely, it goes through as modified by the commission. Allied-Lyons is another big force in the world drinks market. The Lyons part of its name comes from the old Joe Lyons coffee shop business bought in 1978, but the group's main strength lies in brands such as Ballantine's and Teacher's whis-

kies and Beefeater gin. Whitbread, which has a 12 per cent market share, has close links with the Dutch giant Heineken, whose product it brews in this country. Whitbread, more than most brewing companies, has

although it has moved significantly into the restaurant trade. The last big player is Scottish & Newcastle, just behind Whitbread with 11 per cent, and home to McEwan's lager and Newcastle Brown Ale. S&N wisely booked out of the hotels business just as Bass was booking in, selling the Thistle Hotels chain for £645 million. The group. Scotland's biggest commercial and industrial company, took a chance by putting the money into Center Parcs, a Dutch-owned holiday camp chain at the time, that has become a runaway success

against all expectations.

The pattern to be seen from the big brewers experiences is clear. Their secure positions in one of Britain's most stable markets have given many the strength to diversify. At the same time, a number of smaller regional brewers, such as Boddingtons and Greenalls in the north-west and Devenish in the south, have pulled out of brewing entirely, concentrating on their estates of pubs and taking their supplies of beer from the nationals. This has only served to make the position of the big guns in the industry even more secure.

MARTIN WALLER

A thousand ways to say cheers Mine's a pint

Lager may have just over half the market but there is still a huge range of beer, Derek Harris reports

ntil last year, it looked as if Britons would continue drinking more and more lager to the detriment of the ales and stouts which have been the mainstay of thirsty natives over centuries.

In 1960, lager was still a foreign tipple making its way from the Continent and accounting for less than 1 per cent of the overall beer market. It was seen as a woman's drink in that era of lager and lime. Then, as the growing number of package holidays helped to broaden the British drinker's taste horizons, lager went on ly regarded as more of a man's drink. draught and it was increasing-

Lager developed in Ger-many and Czechoslovakia in the 1840s because ice from the mountains made the necessary low-temperature brewing possible. It was about the same time that the brewers of Burton-on-Trent were producing the first of their fine quality bitters, bringing the eclipse of the dark porter style of beer which, in addition to its longer keeping qualities, had been the first to make large scale production possible.

Lager became a practical proposition in Britain only after refrigeration techniques emerged in the late 1800s. Wales and Scotland both had lager breweries by the end of that century. The Scots have continued to be especially fond of lager-style beer.

While today 90 per cent of the world's beer consumption is of lager, it took until 1989 for the lager revolution to make its biggest breakthrough in the United Kingdom. That year, lager accounted for 50.3 per cent of all beer drunk in the UK, while ale and stout for the first time dipped just below

the halfway mark. In 1990, lager seemed to be keeping up its steady advance, reaching 51.4 per cent market share by the year end. Last year, however, lager slipped to a 51 per cent market share.

Lager has its strongholds -in the South-East probably more than 60 per cent of beer drunk is lager and in Scotland

the proportion is at least the John Smith's and Websters same if not greater; lager makes a good chaser for a dram of whisky.

Other areas, however, are less keen. In the North of England drinkers are still fond of their bitter and in the West Midlands drinkers frequently call for a pint of their favourite mild beer.

What contributed to reversing the trend last year was that cask-conditioned ale, beloved of the buffs keen on real ale, had recovered market share to the tune of more than 1 per

cent to 15.2 per cent. Big brewers had brought in more cask-conditioned beer. sometimes reviving old regional names in the process.

Britons still consume more than 29 million pints every day

Additionally, the products of regional and smaller brewers entered more pubs as "guest" beers under new rules after the monopolies enquiry into the beer industry.

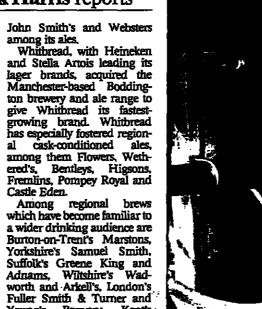
Bass, Britain's biggest brew-

er, whose portfolio of beers includes the leading lager brands of Carling Black Label and Tennants, has a notable ales range that includes draught Bass, Stones, Toby

and Worthington.

Allied Lyons, whose lager brands include Kastlemanie XXXX and Skolenas among its cask ales Teders, which is the UK's best-selling bitter, as well as Ind Coope Burton ale and regional brands such as and regional braisds such as Benskins and Angells.

Courage, while expanding its brewing interests, is probably best known for the "amber nectar" which its parent, Australia-based Foster's, has so successfully promoted as a leading lager. However, Courage also numbers Directors,

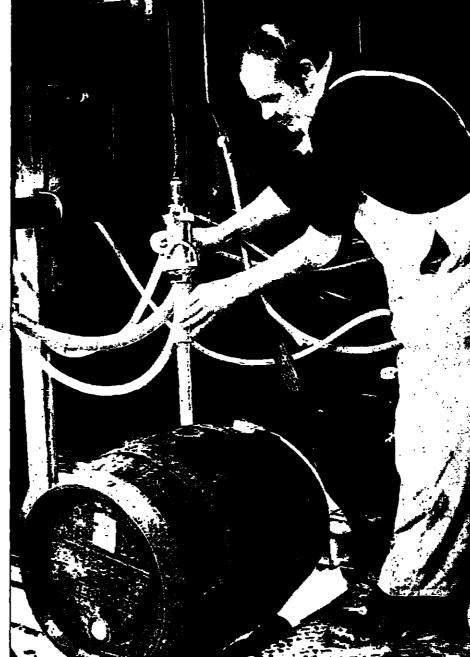


Young's Brewery, Kent's Shepherd Neame, Bedford's Charles Wells and Oxfordshire's Hook Norton. Ruddles, brewed at Oakham in Leicestershire is another regional beer which has become known nationally. now acquired by Grolsch, the

Dutch lager brewer. Last year's figures also reflected the fact that technology was playing a role in boosting ale sales in the take-home market, which accounts for just over a fifth of all beer sales. An injection of nitrogen as a can of beer is opened produces a drink with a creamy head that looks and is said to taste like a draught beer.

An increasing number of brands is going the draughtin-a-can route including Guinness, Whitbread's Boddington bitter and Murphy's stout, Courage's Directors and

The main effect of the recession, which has weakened consumer spending power, seems to have been to cut beer consumption overall, although canned beer sales, largely through the superstores and off-licence chains for home drinking. continued to seize more market share, last year topping 20 per cent share of all beer sales. Canned beer usually costs substantially less than buying in the pub so drinkers beset by



Finishing touch: a task being filled at Young's brewery in southwest London

frequently inclined to forgo all the extras a pub offers, from a friendly meeting place to a game of darts.

Beer sales were down by 3.5 per cent last year and on trends so far a further 3 per cent reduction can be expected this year. The British beer market is about 10 per cent start of the 1980s. Yet, Britons

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still consume more than 29 million pints a day, ranging over 1,000 or more different

These emerge from tiny breweries at a single pub about 90 pubs now brew their own beer — as well as vast state-of-art production centres. Some breweries are magnificent structures, like those

brewery of Harvey & Sons in Lewes, East Sussex, and that of the Hook Norton Brewery Company of the edge of the

Cotswolds. The number of key breweries has shrunk over time but there are still 99 main breweries turning out ales and lagers, plus another 95 small wholesale production units which have been established in the

of raspberry

Beer and lager drinkers are becoming more soare becoming more so-phisticated. Once it was chic to drink wine. Now the wide range of brands, including imports, present an aroma as well as a taste to tempt the

Martin Kemp claims to sell the widest range of beers and lagers in the world at his shop in Pitfield Road, on the northern fringe of the City of London. He stocks 500 different brands, and can even rustle up 30 traditional draught beers for parties. He says: "I sell, all the premium English bitters and

a wide range of Belgian beers such as Chimay, which is made by Trappist monks. People are becoming more aware of Belgian beers because they are going to the

Continent and Nowadays ish beers have people are 3.2 per cent, Mr Kemp can tending to sip offer stronger brands, rang-ing up to 9.5 it rather than

swill it down alcohol. He says: The stronger beers have plenty of flavour and people tend to sip it rather than swill it down. We sell it with special glasses that trap the aroma. Customers talk

about Belgian beers in the same way that wine drinkers talk about vintage wines." Mr Kemp has also found that there is a market for fruit beers, with the traditional raspberry and cherry brands now being joined by black-current, peach and banana. Andy Dale is far more

typical of the beer retail trade. He operates in the small Lincolnshire market town of Spilsby, about 12 miles inland from Skegness. Before he opened up Andy's Wine Box in 1986, the only outlet apart

from the pubs was the Gateway supermarket. He realised that setting up in competition across the nar-row street was a gamble but he says: "I tried to give an extra service by-lending glasses for parties, offering sale or return

hours," he says. "In a small place, people do not mind paying a bit extra for the rsonal touch."

Mr Dale soon realised that he could boost beer sales by letting videotapes for hire. He says: "There is a lot of impulse buying. People come in for a video and decide to take a pack of four as well, or they come in for beer then think there is nothing on television so they will hire a video."

The combination proved successful and in less than four years Mr Dale was able to move into larger premises in a bester position. He agrees that beer drinkers have become more sophisticated. Although his best selling line is the cheapest lager at £1.99 for a pack of four cans, he stocks

lines such as Beck's, Giras and Elephant that are stronger and can cost more than twice as much. specialist lagers and carry a good range of imported

brands. People are willing to pay for quality." Retailers are taking heart from the fact that own-brand labels in the supermarkets meet a greater resistance on the beer shelves than on the food counter, although own brands have the benefit of being cheaper.

Sales figures are a closely guarded commercial secret but a spokeswoman for Safeway says: "We do find that people opt for the brands they

Sainsbury's says that it has found that customers often like a beer from a particular region and agrees that the switch from branded products "has taken a little longer" than on food lines.

However the spokeswoman adds: "Our own brands are selling reasonably well because they have a price advantage. They are holding

RODNEY HOBSON

Regular tastings at the McMullen brewery in Hertford ensure the cask-conditioned beer is consistently good

Raise your glasses to the independents

They have resisted the onslaught of keg, held out against mergers with independent brewing industry is as complex the giants and shown the financial acumen to form a potent brew as the flavour of many of the fine bitters it produces and has prudent — critics would say resulted in a diverse and parsimonious - forebears dynamic sector well placed to take advantage of the new means most are debt-free. opportunities created by They are also sitting on mod-

I he structure of Britain's

legislation. Not that the independents have accepted changes without protest. They have vigor-ously condemned some of the changes ordered by the Monopolies and Mergers Commission. People such as Robert Neame, the chairman of Shepherd Neame, an independent Kent brewer, have called it "the biggest miscarriage of justice ever carried out by the commission".

Mr Neame says the provisions could damage the fabric of many rural communities, by forcing brewers to withdraw from some areas without taking fully into account the social consequences in rural

The independents do not deny that the legislation has caused them problems, but financial foundations laid down for many of them by

it, typify all that is best about the indepedent brewing sector. A group of drinting in a St Albans pub quaffing Mc-Mullens AK

have capitalised on their tradi-tional product ranges, while introducing products such as low alcohol beers and premibitter and wondering aloud whether their favourite beer would Many in the independent remain on the market under brewing trade acknowlege the onslaught of keg beer that they owe much of their when they decided to form the organisation. success to the rise of Camra, the beer drinkers' consumer

The company was founded in 1827 by Peter McMullen, a cooper, from his garden shed in what is now Railway Street, Hertford, and he sold his beer to pubs in the area. Within three years he had built a brewery nearby and in 1836 he bought his first pub, the Greyhound in Bengeo, which is still owned by McMullens. . in 1860, Peter McMulien

retired and passed control of the business Beer should on to two of his be godly, five sons — he also had four having seen a daughters who four years Sabbath in the fermenter the brewery by

buying two nearby Ware, as well buying as their pubs. In 1881, a new brewery was

needed and the huge timber and copper fermenting vessels, the "Great Wooden Vats of Hertford", which are still used, were built. The first of three 240ft-deep wells was also sunk at the brewery site. This type of rapid progress

was being mirrored throughout the country and most of the remaining independents have similar roots. But only the fittest companies have survived. At the turn of the century there were almost 40 brewers in Hertfordshire. McMullens is the only full-sized brewery left in the the county. David McMullen, who with his brother, Ian, is injust the property of the county. joint managing director of the brewery, says that the reason for the company's survival and present strength is that by being independently owned. largely by that family, it has been able to take a long-term view. Investments must have a life of more than 30 years if they are to be worthwhile, and pay-back periods can be as

job properly". Such policies have also enabled companies such as Mc-Mullens to take advantage of recessionary periods rather than be forced into taking panic measures. The modern brewery extension at Hertford and the highly automated bottling plant were built and paid for in the early 1980s

when the slump enabled the

company to negotiate fav-

long as is necessary to do the

ourable prices for plant and construction work.

Although its brewhouse is among the most modern in the country, the operation is still fully "hands-on" and under the complete control of Tony Skipper, the head

McMullens insists that its beers should be fully fermented, resting in the oak fermenting casks at least a week. Mr Skipper says: "McMullen AK is made to the old rule that all beer should be godly, having seen at least one Sabbath in the fermenter vessel."

Most of the independents follow a broadly similar philosophy and, like McMullens, also play a big part in the fabric of the local community, as well as providing local em-

ployment Daniel Thwaites, founded in Blackburn in 1807, as well 9 as producing some of the North-West's best beers, is well known in the North for its scholarship fund, which enables young people from the area to travel to other parts of

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In pursuit of brews that keep ahead

The perfect pint is all in the ingredients, and the search for the best crosses

national borders, Rodney Hobson reports

Yorkshire but it brings hops all the way from Slovenia for its number one brew. Landlord. Charles Dent, a director of Taylor, says: "Luckily it has not been affected by the troubles in the Balkans yet. We mix Styrian hops from Slovenia with goldings from Kent and fuggles from Hereford to get the special hoppy flavour." Landlord was the best in its class

at this year's Camra festival and was runner-up as beer of the year. bringing its total to 18 awards in the past ten years. Taylor's head brewer, Alan Hey, brings Golden Promise malt from Aberdeen. Perthshire and the borders in Scotland.

Mr Dent says: "We brew the oldfashioned way. which means we can have only 1.2 Too high a per cent nitrogen in the hops. Major nitrogen brewers can get away with a higher content. Malting

content can cause

cloudy beer

gen content is too high and it is rejected. The barley also needs a bold, round grain." Having too high a nitrogen content can cause problems such as cloudy

barley is very diffi-

cult for farmers to

grow. They think

they have got the

perfect barley then

they find the nitro-

Water is vital to the brewing industry, which takes steps to recreate the water conditions that made Burton on Trent the centre of the brewing industry. David Waller. a director at Adnams, the Suffolk brewery, explains: The ideal water for bitters is found at Burton. It is stiff with gypsum. calcium sulphate. We try to match that by adding brewer's salt to mimic the Burton water. The sulphate gives more flavour, as opposed to chlorides which are

Adnams, based just south of Lowestoft, takes all its malt from local sources. Mr Waller says: "We think the East Anglian malt is best. Taking ingredients from the same source means the beers stay the

Brewing forms a crucial link in the agricultural life of the country. Latest figures show that breweries use 659,000 tonnes out of an ed national malt production of 1.7 million tonnes. That pur-oxygen out of the river."

chase alone means the brewers are putting about £100 million a year

into agriculture. Beer begins its life down on the farm. The basic ingredient is malted barley although other cereals can be added along with sugar to achieve sweetness or encourage

Hops are used for their butter flavour, and yeast is essential for the fermentation that produces alcohol. Barley is grown on over four million acres of British soil, mainly in East Anglia, southern England, the Midlands and Scotland. The Brewers Society says it is accepted by brewers all over the world that British malting barley is of the

highest quality. the nitrogen content, less fertiliser is

used for growing the barley and farmers are paid a premium to grow the lower yielding crop that the breweries need. Hops are grown

land and Hereford and Worcester, although the market for hops is increasingly an interna-tional one, with important growing areas in Oregon, Germany, Czechoslovakia and China.

During fermentation, yeast reproduces itself several times over and the surplus, which is rich in protein and vitamins, is sent to manufacturers of sandwich spreads, health foods, yeast tablets and flavouring agents.

Hops retrieved from the copper

after boiling have a high fibre content and are sent to market gardeners or the forestry industry for use as organic compost. The malt residues left behind after mashing are known as brewgrains. They still contain

enough nourishment to be bought by farmers as feedstuff — at certain times of the year they are being fed to about a quarter of all the dairy cattle in the UK. Adnams has built up its own

farm of 500 pigs that are fed on waste yeast and barley. Waste from the pigs in turn makes fertiliser for the bariey.

Mr Waller says: "The local sewage works would not be able to

cope with our waste. It is not

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Bags of flavour: malt stocks at Wadworth's brewery in Devizes



Testing time: the beer is closely monitored through each stage



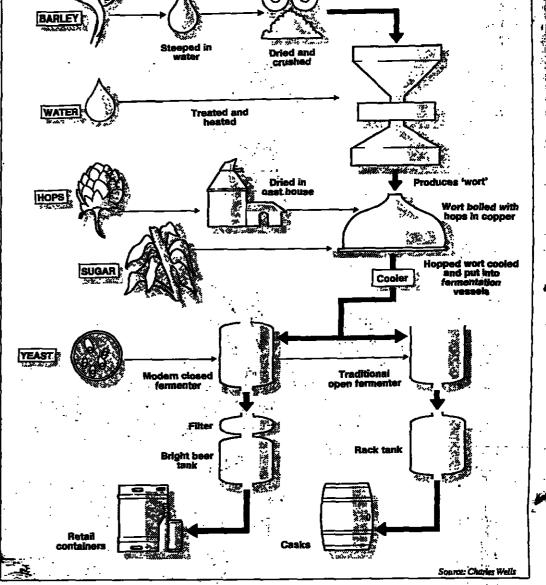
Here's mud in your eye: a group of friends enjoying a pint

On the brewery trail

SEPTEMBER has been designated Brewery Month by the Brewers' Society which has been encouraging breweries to organise special events and open days to mark the occasion. Traditionally, when brewing could take place only in the colder months. September marked the start of a new brewing round as beer ingredients were harvested.

Nearly 70 breweries are

from a hop trail in Kent, organised by Shepherd Neame, to the chance of being a brewer for a day, courtesy of Bass in Cardiff. At Burton on Trent, Marston, Thompson & Evershed will be showing off additions to its brewery where the unusual Burton-Union method is employed. , Normally, breweries attract about 18,000 visitors a month. This month, the tar-



TO MAKE beer, whether ale or lager, the main materials are high quality barley for strength, hops for flavoursome bitterness, sugars for conversion to alcohol and yeast to work on the sugar. Water, known confusingly as liquor, is treated to create the ideal balance of elements such as minerals ideal for brewing, Derek Harris writes.

The barley has to be a malting variety. Grains are steeped in water to achieve germination to prepare -them for the fermentation process. Germination is arrested by kiln drying, after which the malted barley is crushed to a coarse powder

MAKING BEER

water. A sweet brown liquid called wort is produced which is boiled with hops in vessels known as coppers. The hopped wort is cooled and run into fermentation vessels where sugar may be added on which the yeasts can work.

British ales and stouts are traditionally brewed in optin fermenting vessels with yeasts that rise to the top, forming a thick creamy crust protecting the beer from air. Many of the individual characteristics of a beer depend on the yeast so large vessel for mashing with hot yeast cultures. Some strains have drinking in kegs, cans and bottles.

been in use for 50 years or more. Lager is brewed in closed fermenting vessels, as, now, are some ales. Lager employs yeasts which work at lower temperatures and sink to the bottom of the brew. Lower temperatures mean a longer

Beer goes to conditioning tanks where filtration and centrifuging are among the methods used to clarify it. Some beer is conditioned mainly in cask, possibly with hops added to yield more flavour, but then its palatable life is shorter. Alternatively, conditioning is com-

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Who has the price of a pub?

anaging a pub on a straightforward as one would a shop, is the way of the future in the drinks trade, according to Bruce Al-len. He is one of a new generation entering the pub business in the wake of the changes brought in after the last monopoly investigation of the industry

Mr Allen has learned much about meeting people's eating and drinking needs during 38 years in catering, having started out as a hotel cook. Just over four years ago he was the first to take up a licensing deal from Inntrepreneur, the joint venture between Foster's Courage and Grand Metropolitan which deals with the pub estate of both companies.

Like similar operations set up by other brewers needing to reduce the number of their tied, tenanted and managed pubs, Inntrepreneur offers 20year standard commercial leases. This replaces the tied house system under which tenants took beer and other drinks from the brewer who paid repair and maintenance costs and let to the tenant at a subsidised rent. The new leases mean a brewer lets a pub at an open market rent . with no landlord's liability for

Innrepreneur recently signed up its 4,000th lease, in Doncaster, South Yorkshire, and continues to be bombard. ed with enquiries from wouldbe licensees. In one month earlier in the summer there were 3,779 enquiries.

Mr Allen heads the Allen Partnership, based at Haywards Heath, West Sussex, which operates 80 pubs of which 50 are on Inntrepreneur leases. He is chairman of the Association of Independent Licensed Multiple Retailers, created by this surge of new-style pub operators. In a year, membership has grown to 34.

He says: "If I had been sitting there with a pile of money, then putting it into pub property — in the long term and looking beyond the recession — would have been a good investment. If you haven't lots of cash, the commercial lease becomes the way for the future. It is the way for Government insistence has forced radical changes in the ownership and management of public houses

the industry to go forward." He believes this even though some of his pubs were leased while the property market was at a peak, hence at high rents, while trading is now in a recessionary trough. He says: "This business is not for shortterm players who want to be in and out in an roonths. You have to look to five years or more to get your basic investments right and secure proper returns from the investment." As yet, most of the new multiple operators are small.

However, the flood of pubs on the market has meant some have built up rapidly. The Nottingham-based Centric Pub Company, for instance, has bought more than 150 pubs in the Midlands and North West from Bass, Britain's biggest brewer. Centric's aim is to build up an estate of

about 400 tenanted pubs. Enterprise Inns, based in Solihull, near Birmingham, bought 372 Midlands pubs from Bass and said it would be running them on 21-year leases. The eventual aim is an estate of 750 pubs.

It is part of a process which by November will see the brewing industry completing two of the most painful years

Greene King Fullers

Sycamore Taverns 300

Hardy & Hanson

Triwaltes Wiltshire Brewery

Enterprise Inns



Richard Martin: "less choice for the consumer"

in its history. By then it will have met the demands of radical government-dictated changes following the most recent investigation of the beer industry by the Monopolies and Mergers Commission. Brewers with more than 2,000 tenanted or managed pubs have been forced to sell or operate at arm's length about 11,000 pubs. That is almost one pub in six. The changes, which have already intro-duced the concept of at least

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SALES OF PUBLIC HOUSES

MAIN BLOCKS SOLD BY MAJOR BREWERS: mid-1989 onwards

aim to increase competition and ensure a better choice for the consumer. It has not quite worked out like that.

Richard Martin, chairman of the Brewers' Society, is critical of what he regards as government interference in the industry. "The industry has had to put through these changes on a tight timetable at a time when interest rates are high and beer sales down thus discouraging private buy-ers — and during the worst slump in property prices anyone can remember. It seems inevitable that the end result will be fewer breweries, fewer pubs and less choice for the

Whitbread, among the big brewers, has said that not only will there be fewer pubs but there will be less choice of beers and higher prices in real

How many pubs have aiready shut is anybody's guess. Some in the pub trade believe that the Welsh borders and adjoining counties have still to see closures. This is because there are many modestly-trading pubs which could run as part of a tied tenancies estate but would fail to match free market commercial criteria.

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Most of the big brewers have been hit by the 2,000 limit. Bass, Allied. Lyons, Whitbread, Grand Metropolitan and Foster's Courage have been especially affected. Scottish & Newcastle Breweries were only marginally over the tied pubs limit. Guinness has no pubs and nor does Danishowned Carlsberg, which brews

ager at Northampton Brewers have been forced to free half of their pubs above the 2,000 mark. Many pubs have changed hands and at the top of the buying queue have been smaller brewers as well as the new generation of independent multiple operators. Sunderland-based Vaux group, which also brews in Sheffield, has picked up well over 100 pubs from several of the big national breweries.

Among regional brewers which have bought pubs from Bass are Daniel Thwaites of Blackburn, Lancashire; Warrington-based Burtonwood-Brewery; Kent's Shepherd Neame: Nottingham's Hardy & Hanson; and Bedfordshire's Charles Wells. Hardy & Hanson paid £6.5 million for 36 pubs, while Charles Wells put up £9 million for 38 pubs. Burtonwood also took on more than 140 pubs from Allied Lyons on 25-year leases free of

DEREK HARRIS

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Hungry diners boost publicans' trade

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Oub grub rates highly with Britons. A recent survey found that pub food, offering good value for money, was the second most popular reason for going to a pub. The most popular reason was to meet friends, Derek Harris writes::

Between 1985 and 1990 pubs accounted for the largest increase in meals consumed outside the home, according to Marketpower, the leisure industry consultants. In the period, pubs saw a 12 per cent increase in catering after a 4 per cent rise in the first half of the decade.

A Brewers' Society survey on reasons for pub-going, carried out with the help of Market & Opinion Research International (Mori) last month, found that 66 per cent of pubgoers were attracted by pub food. Some 86 per cent went to pubs to meet friends.

More than half those surveyed thought that there was a good choice of food in pubs. More women (70 per cent) than men (62 per cent) thought pub food was good value. .

The survey is the latest evidence of the way food catering has become an important element in the pub business. A pub catering survey by Brooke Bond Foodservice and the British Institute of Innkeeping sug-gested that in 1990 catering accounted for about 23 per cent of pub turnover on average. For town centre pubs targeting the lunch-time trade about 17 per cent of sales was down to food, whereas rural pubs secured 30 per cent of sales from food.

Keith Hudson, director of the institute, said: "All the signs point to a continuation of the trend. Catering may quarter of pub turnover."

he achieved

well now account for close on a If pubs in England and

Wales get greater freedom to allow children to accompany parents into bars for meals, a further boost is likely, Mr Hudson said. The government has promised a consultation paper on how this might limiting the use made of pubs by families to those which have separate eating areas, children's rooms or beer gardens.

Customers visiting pubs in the afternoon on weekdays and Saturday are increasingly likely to have something to eat. according to a Mori survey published by the Brewers Society last year. In 1990, 26 per cent of pub-goers said they had taken a full meal, compared with 14 per cent in 1988. Another 29 per cent reported having a snack, up from: 19 per cent in 1988. About 11 per cent of afternoon pub-goers drank tea or coffee.

> Value for money is the crucial ingredient in this business

That compared with 4 per cent in 1988. Longer opening hours in England and Wales have played a part in opening up the role of pubs as a place to eat but value for money appears to have been the most

Bob Macdonald, retail trade director for Wadworth, the brewer from Devizes. Wiltshire, best known for its 6X bitter, said: "Everybody now is more conscious of what they are spending and the pub. with lower overheads than a restaurant, can offer terrific value for money on food."

Wadworth, with its 200 pubs, of which 30 are directly managed and the rest run by tenants, has aimed at creating a traditional style of country pub because it believes that this best fits with the image of its beers such as Farmer's Glory and Old Timer. Mr Macdonald said: "In

the past 18 months the food side has played an increasingly important role."

places catering experience high on the list of qualifica-

Mr Macdonald said: "One effect of the growth in pub catering is that it is attracting experienced people who might otherwise have seen themselves going into restaurant catering. That recently gave us an answer to a particular problem — two pubs in a district with insufficient beer trade for both. So one was 👨 targeted directly at picking up the beer trade while the other went to an excellent caterer who has built up the pub's food trade with a speciality in fresh fish cooked to

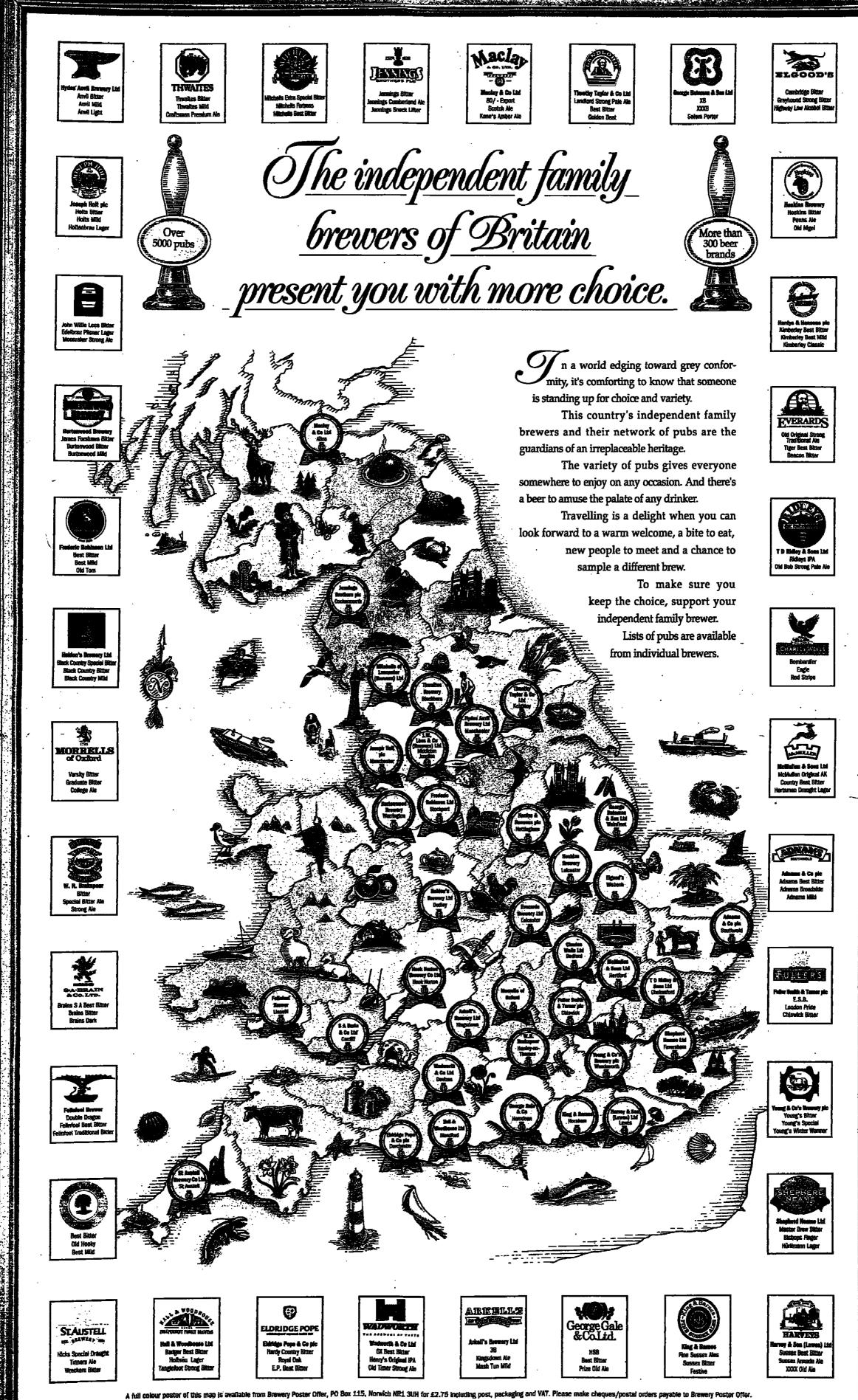
There are many other styles of pub catering. Outlets such as brasseries, and some themed bars, are closer to restaurant-style catering. Steakhouse chains have thrived on family trade, an example being the market leader Whitbread's Beefeater pub restaurants which now number nearly 300.

Whitbread's 65 Wayside Inns, traditional English pubs, follow a food and drink ionnula in places off the beaten track. The company's 180 Brewers Fayre have a sales formula of good have a sales formula of good Larger pubs have extended the value-for-money approach, in some cases to providing overnight accommodation. An example is John Clarkson. a one-time chef who latterly was a lecturer on the leisure industry. He has taken a long lease on the Lamb Hotel at Hartley Wintney, near Fleet, in Hampshire, because he be-

lieves in the potential of the 300-year-old property. There is a pub-style bar much used by local customers which offers bar food. Entirely separate is a 46-seater restaurant where Mr Clarkson has introduced a memu of inexpensive

For the overnight stay traffic, mostly business people, there are 15 bedrooms. Again the theme is keen prices. Mr Clarkson said: "In every part of the operation value for The wife and the head'

> guardians of an irreplaceable heritage. sample a different brew. MORRELLS
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America willing Connors on to a final extravaganza



TENNIS CORRESPONDENT IN NEW YORK

IN THE midst of the sentiment, admiration, patriotism and downright aggression which will flow through the centre court at the United States Open at Flushing will be accorded little elbow room. Jimmy Connors is playing, perhaps for the last time in a tennis grand slam event, and that is excuse enough to shed lingering inhibition and embrace emotional excess

Rarely in his 22-year career time for reflection or assessment. Every move, every word, every deed down the years has had "take me as I am" stamped on it and if that has led him to be described by one former umpire as "the most umpleasant man I have ever come across", it has also made him an indispensable nart of the American sporting dream. It will be the latter which is due for celebration along with Connors's fortieth birthday tonight.

Like it or not, slowly, perceptibly, inevitably, along a path littered with unpleasantness and crudity, heroism and greed. Connors has become a national kaleidoscope, a symbol which can be transformed into a thousand different sources of inspiration. Not only has he

emerged from the wrong side of the tracks in St Louis - "so far the wrong side of the tracks, he could no longer hear the whistles blow as one commentator put it - to dominate an essentially middle-class sport, he has shown to a multitude of middle-aged Americans that time really can be defied.

Last year, during his epic run to the semi-final at the US Open, the tournament doctor had to issue a health warning to the nation's executives. Do not try to imitate this man. But nobody stopped them from

Equally, Connors is the idol of another huge section of the journeymen. No member of the local tennis club could ever play the way McEnroe does but, given a good helping of downhome virtues like determination, hard work and fitness — qualities available to everyone if they try hard enough - they might for a moment be capable of mimicking Connors.

I will declare my hand here. I was lucky enough not to be covering tennis when Connors was at the height of his unpleasantness, so my vision of a great showman and an unbelievable competitor, that has emerged through more recent exploits, is not clouded by bad memories.

common consent, Connors's behaviour was

much worse than McEnroe's. Cruder, more calculating, more personal, nastier. But, like McEnroe, it was never a profitable exercise trying to sift the good from the bad or hoping that miraculously one day Connors would start behaving like Edberg.
It just could not be.
McEnroe and Connors, in

their heyday, divided generations. To some, irreparable soilers of a beautiful game, to others, the guides to a new kingdom of emotion, excitement and excellence. But, amid all the euphoria

and hero-worship, where does Connors the tennis player stand? One of the greats. certainly, even if, for one reason or another, he did not

events as he should have. He won eight -- five US Opens, two Wimbledons and one Australian - and 109 singles titles in total. Surprisingly. the French Open chuded him. though he lost his best chance of winning it in 1974. the year he won three other grand slam tournaments, by igning to play team tennis, a decision he must deeply

Strangely too, because you would have thought the heart-on-the-sleeve atmosphere would have suited his nature, Connors was reluctant to play in the Davis Cup. Perhaps he could not stomach being part of a team. His game relied too much

EUROPE'S best heavyweight. Lennox Lewis, is almost cer-

tain to lose his European title.

He will either be forced to give

it up or be stripped for not defending it against Henry Akinwande, of Lewisham, by

October 31, the day Lewis has

his world-title eliminator

against Donovan "Razor"

Ruddock, of Canada, in

The loss of his European

title would put unnecessary

extra pressure on Lewis at a

time when he needs to concen-

trate on Ruddock. If he is

beaten by the Canadian, Lewis

could lose his preferential position in the world and

European rankings. "The

EBU should help Lennox win

the world title for Europe," his

brother Dennis said yesterday.

British, European and Com-

monwealth titles into the ring

on October 31, said: "I'll be

very disappointed if I lose my

European title. I will defend it

against Akinwande after the Ruddock fight. I didn't win the title to give it away."

Lewis's manager, Frank Maloney, sees Akinwande as

little more than a warm-up for

a world title challenge in April.

Purse bids for the European

title bout will be opened

tomorrow and Lewis will have

to say whether or not he

intends to defend. Since Lewis

will be training in the United

States for five weeks for Rud-

dock he clearly cannot meet

if he gets past Ruddock.

Lewis, who wants to take his

London.

for the purists. There was no shot that was irrefutably Connors, but the whole package, stuffed with defiance, bravado and gesture, was irresistible. Even now, you can feel his force on the points which matter, sense the mental screw tightening.

By the end of the night, Jaime Oncins, his first round opponent, will understand a little of what once made Connors so dominant. For tonight, though, when he takes the court against the Brazilian, the wisest policy will be to join the throng himself, and his 20,000 ex-

Akinwande within the speci-

Boxing Union (EBU) for an extension but is unlikely to be

given it. Simon Block, of the British Boxing Board of Con-

trol, said yesterday: "A Euro-

pean title must be defended

every six months. The EBU is very strict about that. Lewis

could want a two-month ex-

tension. I leave it to you to work out the chances of get-

Lewis leaves on September

9 for his training camp in the

Poconos mountains in Penn-

sylvania to prepare for Rud-

dock and will return two weeks

before the bout. "This is going

to be my strictest camp ever.

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and away from distractions."

His time in camp will cost Lewis around \$80,000. He

will have a steady stream of

sparring partners including

two former opponents. Mike

Weaver and Levi Billups, and

even a special cook, who will be flown out from London.

The promoters of the world

title eliminator, Lewis's com-

pany, Champion Enterprises.

and Main Events, an Ameri-

can promotion group, expect

to make about £2 million from

a gate of around 16,000 at

Earl's Court, London. The

bout will be shown on BSkyB

television, which has signed a three-fight deal with Lewis, to

include any world title

challenge.

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He has asked the European

BOXING

Lewis fights hard

to hang on to

European crown

By SRIKUMAR SEN, BOXING CORRESPONDENT

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Stand-off half completes dramatic rise

Sevens display wins Beal surprise call into England squad

By David Hands, Rugby correspondent

NICK Beal has wasted no Northampton reached the time in bringing himself to the attention of the England management, albeit in the abbreviated version of rugby. The former High Wycombe standoff half, who joined Northampton in the close season, has been drafted into the England sevens squad for the Harlequins-Lord's Taverners tournament at the Stoop Memorial Ground on Sunday.

Beal, 21, a product of the Royal Grammar School at High Wycombe, helped his local club into the third round of the Pilkington Cup last season, disposing of Redruth and Askeans before losing to Wasps. But it was his form for Northampton during the Selkirk Sevens last Saturday which has carried him into a squad led by Will Carling and including Jeremy Guscott and Dewi Morris of the England

final at Selkirk (where they lost to Gala), but must make do without Beal, Tim Rodber and lan Hunter at Harlequins, where they will compete with a squad reinforced by four Bedtrast, went out in the second round last weekend, but are guaranteed more extensive practice on Sunday since the Harlequins tournament is divided into two pools, ensuring a minimum of three matches

for each team. If, though, England are serious about making an impact on the Rugby World Cup Sevens at Murrayfield in April, they must surely find other tournaments in which to play nearer the time. The Hong Kong Sevens, on March 27 and 28, is the obvious one, although England have yet to enter a representative team in that

Whitbread improves Welsh sponsorship

By GERALD DAVIES

THE future of the Heineken National League in Wales was secured for a further three years yesterday when Whitbread announced a sponsorship package extending to 1996 and totalling £3.1 million. While £1 million of this will go towards serving and promoting the championship, it still means an increase of £500,000 on the inaugural sponsorship, signed two years

In addition, the brewery announced that it was contributing £15,000 per annum to the Players' Trust, set up by the Weish Rugby Union to facilitate the promotional activities of its international squad players. How this money, which is the first formal agreement of its kind made by any company, is to be distributed remains to be seen. Paul Vaughan, the sponsorship director for Whitbread. said: "We are delighted to be able to seal our long term involvement with dub rugby in Wales. This new deal demonstrates our commitment to continuing to assist the growth and development of the democratic structure of Welsh domestic rugby."

From the original 38 dubs which comprised the four divisions when the competition began in September 1990, this season will see the League grow to 48 clubs. This means eight new clubs are added. They are Builth Wells, Cardiff HSOB, Cardigan, Carmarthen, Colwyn Bay. Garndiffaith, Tondu and Vardre. These clubs have joined as champions of the district feeder leagues. For the first time, there will also be a full system of promotion and relegation this season.

tournament. The teams from the southern hemisphere at Murrayfield will be fully geared to doing well because of their regular presence at the

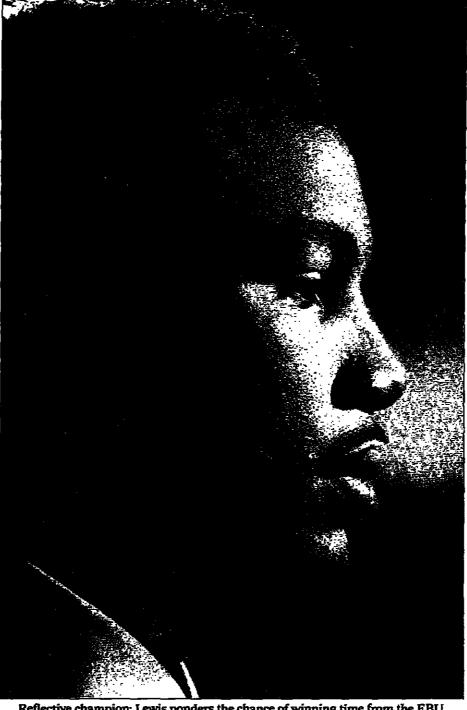
Hong Kong event. That subject may be one of many to be discussed when the full England squad and management meet at Loughborough University tomorrow for fitness testing before the match on Saturday between Leicester and an England XV. At least on Sunday England have a more convincing look to their sevens squad, which includes Tony Underwood as the runner-in. Cardiff, semifinalists at the Worthington Welsh Sevens last weekend, have been drawn in England's pool, as have Zebre, the representative V11 from Italy. Newport, the holders, are drawn in

pool A alongside Harlequins. It is possible that the first event of the 1995 World Cup will take place next month. if the International Rugby Football Board can organise a preliminary qualifying tournament in Andorra involving the host country, Switzerland, Luxembourg and Denmark. There are 25 unions in Europe alone entitled to try to qualify for the 1995 tournament and, overall, over a dozen qualifying tournaments may be held to produce the

final 16 for South Africa. All these events will be the responsibility of a tournament co-ordinator, whose job specification is in the process of being drawn up and who, it is hoped, will be appointed by the end of this year.

ENGLAND SEVENS SQUAD: T Underwood (Leicester), W Carling (Harlequins, captam), J Guscott (Bath), N Beal (Northampton), D Monts (Ortel), T Rodber (Northampton), C Shessby (Flarlequins), I Huriter (Northampton), J Casself (Saracens)





Reflective champion: Lewis ponders the chance of winning time from the EBU

GYMNASTICS

Vault named after May

JAMES May, the British No. 2, will have an original vault named after him in the sport's official rule book next

year (Peter Aykroyd writes). May, 24, from Bristol, de-veloped his complex move with the help of his brother, Stephen, a former leading gymnast who now coaches him. A diagram in the new code will show that the gymnast begins the May with the usual run-up to the vaulting horse. He then executes an Arab spring on the springboard, followed by an Arabian front somersault on to the horse, and concludes with a

handspring to land. May introduced his vault at the European championships before the Barcelona Olympics, where he was 33rd overall. He joins an elite group of Britons including Stan Wild, the former British champion, who introduced the Wild vault in the early 1970s, and David Simpson, who innovated the Simpson

spindle on rings six years ago.

Johansson leads Ryder Cup challenge

London Marathon gets sweeter

THE London Marathon yesterday announced a £4 million sponsorship deal with NutraSweet. The sweetenermanaufacturer will sponsor the race for the next two years and has an option to renew the contract for 1995 and 1996. The announcement marked the end of the marathon

NutraSweet will provide £2

backer for Britain's biggest race after the end of its fouryear association with ADT.

million in fees to the marathon and £2 million in additional support over the next two years. David Bedford, the international race director, said the cash would enable the 1993 event to maintain its position as the world's leading big-city marathon. The race record 35,750 runners.

With well over £600,000 to help him assemble an oustanding field, Bedford will try to persuade Liz McColgan to run now that the 10,000 metres world champion is expected to turn her attention more closely to the marathon after her disappointing show in Barcelona.

Application forms, which have to be completed and returned by the end of September, will be available from branches of the Trustee Savings Bank. Entry forms will be dispatched during October and successful applicants notified by post in December.

TODAY'S FIXTURES

FOOTBALL Premier League Aston Villa v Chelsea (7.45) Mancheser Utd v C Palace (8 0)

OPR v Arsenal (7.45)

Sheffield Wed v Coventry (7.45)

Tottenham v Sheffield Utd (7.45) First division Newcastle v Luton (7.45) ... Second division Anglo-Italian Cup Preliminary round Derby v Notts County (7 45) Leacester v Gramsby (7 45) GM Vauxhall Conference Boston v Stafford .

Scottish League Premier division Aberdeen v Airdne Cettic v St Johnstone Cettic v St Johnstone
Hibernian v Dundee Utd
Motherwell v Rangers (8.0)
EUROPEAN CUP: Preliminary round, second leg: Tavria v Shelbourie (4.0)
DIADORA, LEAGUE: Premier division: Chesham v Basingstoke. First division: Motesay v Leves Third division: Coller Flow v Adiershot Town: Fether and Hounslow v Flactwell Heath,
BEAZER HOMES, LEAGUE: Southern elvesor; Burnham v Salisbury, Bury Town v

HFS LOAMS LEAGUE: Premier division: Horwich v Fleshwood: Premier division: KONICA LEAGUE OF WALES: Ownbran v Ebbw Vale; Fiint Town v Cornwy (6 15); Uanelli v Abergavenny, Maesteg v Inter Cardif (7.15).

Cardiff (7.15).
PONTINS CENTRAL LEAGUE: (7.0) First division: Barnsley v Blackburn: Botton v Liverpool; Leads v Wolverhampton Second division: Everton v Burnley, Hull v Olcham: Port Valle v Huddersfield, Preston v Scunthorpe; Wigen v Grimsby; York v Nevfelechmen.

Middlesbrough.

McVLLE OVENDEN COMBINATION:
First division: Bristol City v Crystal Palace:
Isswich v Portsmouth, Oxford Utd v
Norwich, Southampton v Todenham; Swincon v West Ham (2.0), Wattind v Winnble-

Cardiff; Bristol Rovers v Exater, Cheltenham v Swansea; Plymouth v Yeovil. ABACUS WELSH LEAGUE: Cyril Rogers Cup: First round: Abercynon v Momston
Pontardawe v Taffs Well, South Wales
Police v Ton Pentre
FA CHALLENGE CUP: Prefirminary round
Ameliotal Other in Marchan EASTERN COUNTIES Promier division: Comard v Histon.

NORTHERN LEAGUE: First division;
Consett v Blyth Spartans: Peteriee Newtown
v West Audkand; South Bank v Northallerton; (at Quisborough Town FC). Whitey v
Billingham Synthonia.

CRICKET Britannic Assurance county championship CHELMSFORD: Essex v Hampshire CARDIFF: Glamorgan v Sussex BRISTOL: Gloucestershire v

ULSTER CUP: Semi-final: Portadow

TRENT BRIDGE: Nottinghæmshire v THE OVAL: Surrey v Somerset WORCESTER: Worcestershire v

SCARBOROUGH: Yorkshire v

OTHER SPORT BOWLS: EBA national championships (Worthing). GOLF: Women's home international tous-

By MITCHELL PLATTS GOLF CORRESPONDENT PER-ULRIK Johansson

might have forfeited the chance of winning the Murphy's English Open, but he can draw much satisfaction from finishing joint runner-up to the Argentinian, Vicente Fernandez, at The Belfry on Monday.

His morale should be high because. 12 months ago, he finished fifth on the same Brabazon course at The Belfry. It points to the likelihood of Johansson being back there next September as a member of the European team for the Ryder Cup match against the United States.

Bernard Gallacher, the Europe captain, is convinced that not only will there be several new faces in his team, but that there will be one or more Swedish players among

Johansson, 25, said. "I like The Belfry, even though I feel lost the tournament on Monday. Now it is down to me to play myself into the team. I want to be one of the top ten golfers in the world and, if I am to achieve that, then I feel that the Ryder Cup

is an obvious goal." The race for places in the Europe team begins with the European Masters at Cranssur-Sierre, Switzerland, tomorrow and continues through to the German Open at the end of August next year. It is likely that a total of 39 tournaments will be incorporated in the Johnnie Walker points table, although the

exact number will be known only when the official schedule for next year is announced.
In 1991, the European team included five players new to the Ryder Cup. They were Paul Broadhurst, David Feherty, David Gilford, Colin Montgomerie and Steven

Richardson. "I think there is a good chance of there being a lot of new faces in the next team," Gallacher said. "I will certainly play in more tournaments during the next 12 months because it is important for me to stay in touch, especially with

the newcomers." Miguel Martin, Santiago Luna, José Carriles and Miguel Jiménez, all of Spain, Costantino Rocca and Silvio Grappasonni, of Italy, Jean Van de Velde, of France, and Daniel Silva, of Portugal, are among the contenders from the continent.

Yet there are no fewer than ten Swedish golfers in the top 80 of the Volvo Order of Merit. They are Anders Forsbrand, Johansson, Robert Karlsson, Mats Lanner,

Johan Rystrom, Haeggman, Fredrik Lindgren the joint runner-up with Johansson on Monday — Magnus Sunesson, Jesper

Parnevik and Mats Hallberg. Their competitive nature was to be admired last year when Forsbrand, Lanner and Johansson linked to win the Dunhill Cup at St Andrews, and Forsbrand and Johansson were partners as Sweden triumphed in the World Cup

of Golf in Rome. Jan Blomquist, the man who has masterminded the Swedish revolution, points out: "It was only in 1984 that a Swedish player first put together four sub-par rounds in a European Tour event.



Johansson: ambitious

The point is we have come from nowhere. Our players are now ready for the Ryder Cup, whereas if we gave England the best ice hockey equipment, I still don't think that in ten years time they

could beat Sweden." Forsbrand, winner of two European tournaments this season, has developed his swing with help from David Leadbetter. His progress in the past 12 months points to him playing in the next Ryder

Cup.

Johansson is a daring player with an aggressive streak and Lindgren will benefit from the experience he gained in the Murphy's English Open.

Gallacher will hope that the best players in Europe all qualify automatically. The prospect of Severiano Ballesteros, Nick Faldo, Bernard Langer. Colin Montgomerie, José-Maria Olazábal and Ian Woosnam being among the leading nine in the Johnnie Walker points list by this time next year has been improved by the decision to start the race now rather than at the start of the year as

has been the case in the past. Gilford would appear capable of retaining his place; Broadhurst, Feherty, Mark James, Richardson and Sam Torrance are under some pressure if their form this season is PGA European Tour.

a fair barometer. that Gordon Brand Jr, Sandy Lyle and Jose Rivero can regain places, but Ronan Rafferty has blown hot and cold in recent months. Paul Way, who appeared in the 1983 and 1985 Ryder Cups, has played himself back into

persistent injury. Gary Evans, Barry Lane and Jamie Spence, all now in the top 20 in the order of merit, have provided ample evidence to suggest that they can win places for the first

form; Howard Clark's recov-

ery has been hindered by

Darren Clarke, Paul Lawrie; Mike McLean, Peter Mitchell, Mark Roe and Andrew Sherborne are among the other British hopefuls intent on places.

Mandarin would probably have more chance of going through the card on Grand National day than I have of correctly selecting the 12 players who will attempt to regain the Ryder Cup for Europe next year, but I will give my vote to Ballesteros, Faldo, Forsbrand. Johansson, Langer, Lyle, Montgomerie, Olazabal, Richardson, Spence, Way and Woosnam in the hope of not incurring the wrath of the other 288 members of the

RUGBY LEAGUE

Leeds put in offer to sign Iro

THE spending spree at Headingley is expected to bring a seventh recruitment. with the offer by Leeds of a two-year deal for Kevin Iro. the New Zealand centre, now playing in Australia (Christo

pher Irvine writes). iro, described by Doug Laughton, the Leeds coach, as one of the finest threequarters in the game, is likely to move from Manly-Warringah for a six-figure sum, but an early conclusion to the proposed deal has been complicated because Iro injured an ankle in Manly's final Winfield Cup

game against Cronulla. Laughton is awaiting reports, but is likely to press ahead with a deal for an injured Iro, in preference to the Australian second-row international, Bob Lindner, who has also been made a two-year 🎺 offer, but would not be able to join the dub before the Great

Britain-Australia World Cup final on October 24: Des Maca, who had been due to join the second division club, Oldham, has been seriously injured in a road accident at home in New Zealand.

RACING CORRESPONDENT

SUAVE Dancer is virtually certain to miss the Ciga Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe at Longchamp on October 4 after losing a three-month iniury battle An announcement about

the future of the outstanding colt, trained at Chantilly by John Hammond, is likely before the end of the week. Suave Dancer, who won last year's Arc in scintillating style.

sustained a twisted ankle during or immediately after his only racecourse appearance this year at Longchamp in May when he finished a well besten odds-on favourite in the Prix Ganay. Hammond had been hop-

ing to nurse his stable star back to full fitness in time for the Meadow Meats Irish Champion Stakes at Leopardstown on Sunday week.

TO MANY non-racing people

the sport is a total mystery

(Richard Evans writes). Talk

of SPs, each-way yankees,

monkeys, steamers, maidens

and bumpers leaves would be

enthusiasts bemused and

Add to that the public

perception of racing as the

sole preserve of "toffs" and the idle rich, and millions are

put off visiting one of Brit-

Yesterday, a much-needed

attempt to rid racing of such

ain's 59 racecourses.

MANDARIN

afraid to go to the races.



Hammond: losing race

way to Longchamp glory.

The English-born trainer was unavailable for comment yesterday but I understand show his old sparkle due to the training setback and connec-tions are resigned to him

Courses aim to change image

an image was launched by the

Racecourse Association (RCA)

with a professionally-pro-

duced eight-minute video. A

Great Day Out, and a lay-man's guide, Under Starter's

Orders, aimed at newcomers

The RCA decided on the

marketing initiative following

a survey last year. Stanley

Jackson, managing director of

the RCA, said yesterday: "A

lot of things came out of the

survey which we didn't ex-

to the sport.

THUNDERER

been as low as 6-1 to complete. an Arc double, will always be remembered for the striking manner in which he won at Longchamp last year.

Although a below-form showing from Generous robbed Europe's top middledistance race of some of its significance, it is far from certain that Generous at his best would have coped with the acceleration displayed by the pride and joy of France. The Green Dancer colt was

bought for only \$45,000 as a yearling by Keith Asmussen, father of Cash, who steered the good-looking bay to his successes, which also included the French Derby.

Asmussen is due to ride

Seattle Rhyme in the Septem-ber Stakes at Kempton on Saturday and, if David Elsworth's confidence in his one-time favourite for this year's Derby is justified, the

"One of them was people's

perceptions of racing as being

a class-ridden structure which

is largely for the toffs and not

them, and which is expensive.

We are trying to break down

these barriers."

He added: "A lot of people want to know what is going on at racecourses and this

film aims to tell them. It is not

designed for racing's special-

ists or experts. It is for people

who find racing a difficult

experience when they get to

MASTER PLANNER best Stack Rock 11 on peau-fitrate start in a 23-sumer handicap, over course and distance (good), with APPLEDORN (5th bester oil) 1461 76. BERTIE WOOSTER 1461, SR HARRY HARDMAIN 16th and DOMNILET 18th. DOUBLE BLUE 1461 3rd of 13 to Start in a hand-cap of Marcaster (2).

Oaks winner a definite starter for the St Leger "unless the ground dries up completely." We were very pleased with her. George was very happy and User Friendly will have one more bit of work before

American jockey may have

found the ideal replacement

next year's 1.000 Guineas,

heads the five English accen-

the group one Moyglare Stud

Stakes at the Curragh on

Paul Cole's Bright Genera-

tion, an impressive winner at

Sandown in July, is also expected to run. The other

tral Dancer, Asema, Babush-

ka, City Times, Nicer, Sabaya

Michael Roberts, who is

hoping to be free to ride Sayyedati, partnered the Cher-

ry Hinton Stakes winner in an

stable companion Tbab at Newmarket yesterday.

User Friendly, partnered by George Duffield, also worked

sweetly over ten furlongs yes-

terday and prompted Clive Brittain to confirm the dual

apressive piece of work with

and Special Pageant

ceptors are: Alouette, Ances-

Sayyedati, 10-1 favourite for

ride in the Arc.

Saturday.

the race," Brittain said. Bill Gredley's game filly was well backed yesterday for the season's final classic and Ladbrokes trimmed her from 7-4 to 6-4. They then go: 3-J Bonny Scot, 6-1 Sonus, 8-1

Rain Rider, Allegan, 10-1 bar. Latest betting on the Arc is 11-10 St Jovite, 4-1 Pistolet Bleu, 10-1 Subotica, Jolypha, 12-1 Dr Devious, Magic Night, 14-1 bar.

beat Alight Asset 1/1 in an 11-runner handleas at Epsom in June (61, pood to sold). GORINSKY 11/4 2nd of 16 to Green Doker in a bandleas at Reposit (61, good), with DRUM SERSEART (1th better off) 11/4 8th, MASTER PLANNER 10th and EDUCATED PET 31/4 5th of 1/4 to Inhared Magic in a bandleap at Memorates (51, pood).

Arazi will return in Moulin on Sunday

ARAZI is to return in the Prix du Moulin at Longchamp on Sunday, trainer Francois tors in a possible field of ten for Boutin confirmed yesterday. The colt has pleased Boutin

in his work at Chantilly and is scheduled to make his first appearance since disappoint-ing in the St James's Palace Stakes at Royal Ascot in June. Steve Cauthen, who is retained by the colt's part-owner Shaikh Mohammed, is expected to ride.

Boutin will also saddle Shanghai, the French 2,000 Guineas winner, while the remainder are likely to be headed by the Irish challenger Brief Truce, the winner of Arazi's Ascot race.

In the Oettingen-Rennen at Baden-Baden yesterday, Sure Sharp (Steve Cauthen) was a disappointing 13 lengths sixth of nine behind the Andre Fabre-trained Acteur Francais (Sylvain Guillot). Cauthen said: "We jumped

off all right but the horse is a character. He didn't particularly like the ground and didn't want to know." Twafeai (Bruce Raymond).

Elbio (John Reid) and Rocky Waters (Brian Rouse) mount the British challenge in to-day's group two Goldene Peitsche over six furlongs, also at Baden-Baden.

Twafeaj, who won the Prix de Meautry at Deauville for Ben Hanbury last time out, gets the soft ground she prefers and should make a bold bid for the £33,333 winner's prize.

Going: good
2.15 (Im 2/18yd) 1, BELLE ISIS (A Munro,
16-1); 2, Lobillo (T Cuinn, 4-6 fav); 3,
Private Benk (R Hills, 13-2), ALSO RAN;
13-2 Lameel Dancer (4th), 14 Fighting
Adal, 20 Sting in The Tall, Verrustu (5th), 25
Private Practice, 50 Heavy Rock, Princess
Emryn (6th), 33 Diorram Shadeed (ref to
race), 11 ran, 14, 15, 134, 2, 294, Lord
Huntingdon at West Risky, Tota; \$17.80;
\$28, 0, 1-10, \$1.80, \$0, \$1.20, \$0.55;
\$25, 17, 2mm 11.86sec.

226.17. 2mm 11.86sec.
245 (Im 114yd) 1, FUTURBALLA (T Currt, 9-2 fevi; 2, Erifding (A Murro, 6-1); 3, Waham (B Doyle, 20-1). ALSO RAN: 11-2 Lochore, Kalooch, 13-2 Kyrans Game (Shi, 7 Lofty Deed, 8 George Roper (8h), 12 Kingsdown Cavaller, 14 Awasarma Faix 20 Shyrion (4th), 50 Poop Pierna, 12 ran. 3kt, 3kt, nk, nk, 71. J Dunlop at Arundet, Tota: 2500; 22:30, 22:50, 23:40. DF: 532:90. CSF: £3128. Tricast: £481.20.

3.20 (1m 41 10/c) 1, INCOLA (Antoinette Armes, 5-1); 2, Great Max (J Fanning, 5-1); 3, Atlantic Way (F Norton, 2-1 tay), ALSO RAN: 4 Thirmbelma (4th), 13-2 Hosiday Island (3th), 13-2 Hosiday

3.50 (S) 1, ANOTHER EPISODE (G Carter, 1-2 tev); 2, Holetown (J Red, 9-2); 3, Walking Possession (M Tebbut. 4-1). ALSO RAN: 33 Paradise Fonum (4th). 50 Fort Hope (5th). 5 ran. 3% Ink, 101, 4th, 50. Berry at Cockertam. Tote: £1.50; £1.20, £1.40 DF: £1.50, CSF: £3.10, 58.64sec.

4.20 (Jr. 21.18vd) 1, SHREMD PARTNER; (Y Cleabe, 13-2); 2, Glide Path (M Hills, 9-4 fav), 3, Absent Relative (G Carter, 25-1). ALSO RAN: 6 Gotche, 13-2 Sarah-Clare (ith), 8 Misty View (8th), 9 Rive-Jumelle (5th), 10 Venroy, Abert, 12 Saran-Clare (5th), 10 Venroy, Abert, 12 Saran-Clare (10 ran, 21, %), sh hd, 1 %, 1 L D Eleworth at Whisbury Tole: £8.90; £2.70, £1.50, £3.80. OF £11.40. CSF: £21.37. Tricess: £24.86 2min 13.01sec.

C324.96 2min 13.01sec.
4.50 (6)) 1, TEMPLE FORTUNE (R Hills, 9-1); 2, How's Yer Feiher (A Munro, 7-1); 3, Lady Sabo (M Hills, 8-1). ALSO RAN; 9-2 lav Aln'tifelikethat (5th), 6 Running Gimpse (4th), 7 Soba Guest. 8 Poets Cove, 10 Fay's Song, Divine Pet (6th), 14 Prince Of The Sea, Proud Brigadier, 11 ran. NR; Darussalam, Forest Fairy, 11, hd, M, 2, 1, l41 R Hennon at East Everleigh. Tota: 195.05; 21.50, 22.70, 13.00. DF; E54.20. Trica: 197.80. CSF; E55.04. Tricast: 5483 03 1min 11.90sec.

Going: good to soft
2:30 (8) 1. CLIFTON CHARLIE (Paul
Eddey, 8-1); 2. Arctic Appeal (J Carrol, 12 tay); 3. Almasa (Staphen Davies, 8-1)
ALSO RAN: 10 Thornheld Boy, Dokthe
Oyston (4th), 14 Coestal Express (8th), 16
Toshba Comet, 33 Borncay, 88 Phinese T
Bernum, 66 My Gram (5th), 10 ran. NREssy Line 2*4; 1, 31, 81, 114. M Channon at
Upper Lamboum. Total. 25:60; 2:150,
51:10, 51:50. DF: 24.70. CSF: \$12.74.

Et 10, Et.50. DF: £4.70. CSF: £12.74.
3.00 (2m il: 203yd) 1. MERTON MILL (Paul Eddery, 7-1); 2. Bruaque (Claire Bakfarg, 25-1); 3. Thor Power (JGm McDormel, 10-1) ALSO RAN: 100-30 ji-lav Kadan. Naseem Elbar (4th), 10 Alszer (Bth), 14 Native Magic, John Shaw, Carefree Times, Alpha Hele, 20 Angelica Park (5th), 33 Scalp Em, 50 Fiery Sun, My Turn Next, 66 Nutacre 15 ran. 2, 41, 41, 21, 21, 34, 54, 5 D Morfey at Newmarks Tota: £10.10, £2 90, £8.40, £2.50. DF: £1,275.80. CSF: £143.77. Tricast: £1.581.79

Tricast: £1.581.79
3.30 (1m 4f 60yd) 1, GOLDEN TORQUE (H Bastiman, 8-1); 2, Kabayil (W Carson, 6-1); 3, Bold Ambition (J Lowe, 20-1). ALSO RAN: 5 fev Much Sought After, 6 West With The Wind, 7 Kinoto, (5th), 9 Becataly Boy, 10 Eurotwest. 11 Fessiem, 12 Thunderbritt One (4th), 14 No Comebacks (6th), 33 Valiant Warnior, Don't Cry. Queens Tour, 50 Damart. 15 ran. Hd., 2% (shind, shind, 4l. R Bastiman at Wetherby. Tote: £11.30, £3.10, £2.50, £5.60. DF: £103.70. Tno (any two from first three with any other) £13.50. CSF: £65.37. Tricast £1.134.12.

CSF: 955 37. Tricast £1,134.12.
4.00 (8) 1, HOTARIA (A Culhane, 16-1); 2. Perdition (M Roberts, 6-1), 3, My Best Veteratine (Paul Eddery, 16-1), ALSO RAN: 7-4 fav Blow Dry, 8 Aviator's Dream (4th), 11 Splash of Sait, 14 Sixy Wish, 16 Spicy Affer, Killy's Rilly (Sith), 25 Secret Fantasy, Epsom Dream, Northern Judy, 33 Blakes Beau, Simply Supero, Bonarme, Public, Way, Wr's Pet, Backstabber, Five Cults, 50 Moss Pageant, Minster Man, Sooffera, Beckyhannah, She's A Breeze (8th), 24 an 29, 31, 294, 34, 194, R Whitaker at Wetherby, Tole, £16.10, £3.40, £2.30, £3.50 DF: £26.90 CSF: £108.81.

Ripon

Going: good to soft

Going: good

Improving Daru to lead York double for Gosden

THE progressive Daru, trained by John Gosden, is taken to complete a treble in the Batleys Cash & Carry Handicap at York this afternoon. He is my nap.

After winning his maiden and then being well beaten in a Ripon handicap, he won a mile and a half handicap at Goodwood in July, coming with a strong late run to beat Storm Crossing by half a length.

Gosden then stepped him up in distance to this mile and three-quarters, and Daru responded by producing proba-bly his best effort yet. Brought with a sustained run up the middle of the course, he stayed on well to beat Al Karnak a shade more comfortably than the bare one-length verdict indicates.

The race was run at a true pace so there is every reason to believe the form is solid. Also, Daru, rather than being betrayed by a lack of stamina, positively revelled in the extra distance and there is every chance that, being lightly raced, he will continue to

It is also worth noting that Gosden had him entered for the listed March Stakes, a St Leger trial, at Goodwood last Saturday but has opted to bring him here instead.

The Last Empress, making her first appearance for Andrew Reid's stable, takes a spectacular leap in class after winning a Lingfield seller by 12 lengths last week when trained by Paul Cole. Even with a 3lb penalty she

is at the right end of the handicap but this much stiffer opposition, combined with a

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two-furlong shorter trip, may halt her own treble attempt. More dangerous opposition is likely to come from Farat, who was a disappointing favourite at Sandown last time but is capable of better, and

Holy Zeal, a good sixth to

Ouick Ransom in the Ebor

Handicap here last month. Revif. twice an impressive winner early in the season. reappears in the Capolini Italian Wines Handicap and, with Alec Stewart's string in good form, he demands every respect.

However, there is little doubt that Revif was exceptionally well handicapped then, winning off marks of 74 and 82, but now he faces a sterner test off a more realistic rating of 95.

I intend to side once more with Gosden, this time in the shape of North Russia. Like Daru, this son of Bering has had little racing and on his last



Gosden: good prospects in two York handicaps

ond to Pabouche, who looked to have been improved by the application of first time blinkers, at Windsor. He can im-

prove on that. The Lawrence Batley Handicap is a particularly tricky sprint. It was clear in the sixfurlong handicap here last month, won by Master Plan-ner, that the high numbers had an advantage, and it may once again pay to concentrate on them.

Master Planner is not quite so favoured this time in the No 8 benth, and my eye is taken by Drum Sergeant, who is drawn 12. He won competitive handicaps at Doncaster and Nottingham, both in the hands of Michael Roberts. and ran respectably when about three lengths sixth to Green Dollar at Ripon last

Roberts was unavailable at Ripon but now, with the combination reunited, Drum Sergeant can be expected to make a bold show.

Emir Albadou, a beaten odds-on favourite behind the useful Amwag at Newmarket on his debut, can open his account at the second attempt in the Wachenfeld German Wines Maiden Stakes, while Savoyard, a smart handicapper at his best, looks well treated by the conditions of the Levy Board McIvor Scotch

Whisky Claiming Stakes.
The Michael Jarvis-trained four-year-old earned his place in the history books when winning the first Sunday race in Britain at Doncaster in July and has faced very stiff tasks on his subsequent runs at Haydock and York.

2.00 Emir Albadou. 2.00 Ernir Albadou. 2.30 Palacegata Episode. 3.00 DARU (nap). 2.30 Palacegate Episode. 3.00 Daru. 3.30 SIR HARRY HARDMAN (nap). 3.30 Drum Sergeant. 4.00 North Russia. 4.00 Edipsing.

RICHARD EVANS: 2.30 Palacegate Episode. 3.00 Daru. 3.30 MERRYHILL MAID (nap).

Private Handicapper's top rating: 2.30 PALACEGATE EPISODE.

Our Newmarket Correspondent: 2.00 Emir Albadou. 3.00 DARU (nap).

DRAW: 5F-6F, LOW NUMBERS BEST

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	2.	00 -0: £4	WAC 1,464:	HENFELD GERMAN WINES MAIDEN STAKES 7f 202yd) (8 runners)	
	181	(3)		ALHAARB (H Al-Maksoum) J Danley 9-0	
	102	(5)		BILHAB (Straith Ahmed Al Maltoum) A Stewart 9-0	•
	103	(4)	3	EMIR ALBADOU 25 (BF) (M A) Makhoum) M Stanto 9-0	/ 8
	104	(6)		LAHOOS (8 Hambury) B Hambury 9-0 L Piggot	
	105	(1)	4-0	LESF THE LUCKY 141 (BF) (The Sangular Sk Partnership) W Janvic 9-0" R Cochrane	9 9
	106	ä	n.	MAJESTIC SINCLAIR 328 (Sinclair Developments Ltd) R Hollinshead 9-0 W Ryan	1 -
	107		•	CLEST FOR THE BEST (E Kessly) A Slewert 8-8 Mr Roberts	
	-05	(2)		HOLDE MATERIAL STREET, A STREET, A CONTRACT OF A CONTRACT	

WHAT KATY DID (Shalik Moha BETTING: 5-4 Emir Alberton, 7-2 Alberton, 9-2 What Key Did, 6-1 Quest For The Best, 8-1 Lolf The Lucky. 15-1 Billion, 20-1 Laboron, 25-1 Majestic Sociali 1991: APTA(OSIC 9-0 L Detort (4-9 tar) L Cumani 5 ran CODM COOLIC

Z.	30	BEST	BUY PRODUCTS STAKES (2-Y-0: £4,844: 51) (7 TURNERS)
201	æ	315	SATANK 53 (D.P. IR Sangsler) J Watts 9-4 Pet Eddery
202	(3)	R1140	TRUE SUMPER) 14 (D.F.G) (1 Marsden) R Harson 9-0
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204	(4)	121822	SAME PROPERS 14 (D.F.) (M.S.) Districtor) & Weighter 9-0
205	(5)	11991	PAI ACFRATE PRISONE 18 (D.G.S.) (Palacentile Lift) J Botty 8-13
206	(B)	192443	WRLISHE GAN 11 (D.F) (H Hewison) Denys Smith 8-9 K Fallon
207	121		SURAGON (P Lamber) J Wheelers 8-7
BETTI	MG: 5	4 Palace	gaine Episode, 100-30 Saint Express, 9-2 Satorik, 7-1 Elle Straped, 10-1 Lord 1 Suragen.

1991: ANOTHER EPISODE 9-4 J Carroll (6-4 tar) J Berry 8 ran CUDM EUGIG

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SATANIX GI 5th of 8 to Tropical in the group III Stemazer EBF Corrain Status at the Currain (St., registery) Previously, but Suprate Offer 3-1 in a 10-sumer conditions race at Ascrat (St., good to irm) ELLE SYMPED 241 4th of 9 to Miche in the proup it Morbids Splats at Boyal Ascrat (St., good to love) on penultimate start. Previously, beat LOTED LUMPER (same terms) 341 in a 9-number graduation are at Goodwood (St., 18mn). SABNT EXPRESS 11	2nd of 7 to Sature Rattler in a listed asca, causes and distance, with LORD OLIVIER, its farms; 441 4th and ELLE SHAPED a believing 441 4th and ELLE SHAPED a believing 451, estand see as Newbury 55, good, Proceedings, 11 2nd of 11 to Millyand in the group II process Molecomb States at Soudwood (51, good irm). Selection: PALACEGATE EPISODE (sup)

3.00 batleys cash & carry handicap

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301	(2)	2340	HERRIEAN 49 (P Deal) H Candy 5-10-0 C Ratter JUNISLE DANCER 12 (0,8) (Lord White of Hulf) M Stoute 4-9-6 Pat Eddery To deep
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303	(3)	344556	HOLY ZEAL 14 (D.F.G.) (M Pescod) D Arbuthrol 6-8-3
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TTMG: 2-1 Danu, 6-1 Holy Zeat, 7-1 Ferat, Jungle Dancer, 8-1 Hebridson, 12-1 Hadden Laughter, Jackson Films, og Tempo, The Last Empress, 33-1 Doctor Roy 1991: WITNESS 80X 4-9-3 S Cauthes (7-4 lav) J Gosden 9 ran FORM FOCUS

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Blinkered first time

YORK: 3.30 Colway Bold, Windpower. 4 00 North Russia. 4.30 Boyhood.

3.30 LAWRENCE BATLEY HANDICAP (£15,660: 6f) (16 runners) 401 (15) 426140 NCRTON CHALLENGER 38 (V.C.D.G.S.) (J Linky) M H Existry 5-10-0 M Birch 9 402 (8) 410810 MASTER PI ANNER 11 (25 EG) 45 (25 C) (10 C) M H Existry 5-10-0 M Birch 9

2	(8)		MASTER PLANNER 11 (CO.F.6) (R Cyzer) C Cyzer 3-9-6	9
ì	(5)	10-4506	COLWAY BOLD 37 (V,D,F,G,S) (R Columbs) J Wats 3-9-5	8
ļ	(16)	353040	SIR HARRY HARDMAN 15 (B.D.G.S) (P Hoots) F Lee 4-9-4	
j	(9)		DOUBLE BLUE 4 (D.S.S) (A Huggins) M Johnston 3-8-11 Dean McKeown	
,	(2)	611303	NEVER SO SURE 4 (V.D.B.S) (bits M O'Donnell) A Bailey 4-8-8 L Piggott	ŧ
1	(11)	230100	HAZNI 17 (D.F.S.) (H. Al-Makkoum) H Thomson Jones 3-8-5	9
ı	(13)	000100	BERTIE WOOSTER 15 (CO.F.G.S) (Mes A Randing) R Holder 9-8-5 L Detroit	9
ł	(10)	212230	DOMNUET 15 (CD.F.8.S) (Nrs R Heathcole) J Spearing 7-8-5 6 Hind	8
ı	(7)	502000	APPLEDORN 15 (B,F,G) (Mrs B Facchoo) B McMahoo 5-8-4	9
	(14)	0-41202	SEA DEVIL 102 (D.F.S) (E Hobie) M Carrasho 6-8-4 31 Connorton	9
!	(1)		WINDPOWER 30 (V.D.F) (R Sangster) J Berry 3-8-1 J Carroll	
ĺ	(12)		DRUM SERGEANT 11 (B.D.F.S) (W Sallers) J Parters 5-7-12 M Roberts	
,	(4)	444552	GORBINSKY 11 (D.F.S) (W Robertson) J Berry 4-7-8 N Adams	9
	(B)	100045	EDUCATED PET 4 (D.F.G.S) (B Morgas) M Joinston 3-7-8	9
	(3)	00-0400	MERRYHILL MAD 14 (CO,F,6) (D Catal) J Hams 4-7-7 C Hawlstey (7)	8

BETTING: 7-1 Dram Segment, 8-1 Double Blos, Never So Sure, 10-1 Dominaet, Goresky, 12-1 Sex Devil. 14-1 Appliction, Educated Pet, Herra, Mester Planner, Norton Cheffenger, Wandpower, 16-1 outers. 1991: GREEN DOLLAR 8-8-2 F Horton (20-1) E Wheeler 23 nm

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5117	(3) 30-1522	FORFVER DIAMONDS 44 (F.G.S) (Mrs. J. Russell) M. H. Easteith 5-7-7 J. Option	94				

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diesp at Kempton in April (1m 21, good to soft). DÜUBLE ECHÜ (216 better off) 111 10fb. JPSHG begi Keep Your Word 21 in a 6-numer riesp at Newtony (1m, good). MORTH RUSSIA	Ficating Line 11 in a 10-nursiar handicap at Ripon (1m 11, good to firm) on penultrinate stati. BRIL- LIANT 291 2nd of 12 to Faciento Cown in a ladiest handicap at Portestact (1m 21, firm). Consistent. FORSUSER DIAMONDS besid 2nd of 9 to Golden Chip in a handicap at Ayr (1m, good) Selection: MORTH RUSSIA				

4.30 BATLEYS CATERING RANGE MAIDEN STAKES (3-Y-O: £4,659: 1m 2i 85yd) (9 runners)	
601 (1) 2532 ALUM BAY 40 (BF) (M Polsod) H Cecil 9-0 Pag Eddery	ı
R Cochrane	
603 (6) 34246 BRAMBLEBERRY 19 (Welhelby Racing Bureau Pic) Mrs S Smith 9-0 J Marshall (7)	1
604 (4) FORT SHRILEY (Shalifi Mohammed) M Stoole 9-0	
505 (9) DS-5242 UNFORGIVING MINUTE 11 (Mrs P Hans) P Hans 9-0	ţ
606 (7) 5 DRAFT BOARD 19 (Lord Deltay) J Gosden 8-9	7
607 (8) 0-80 KASSI 120 (Mrs H Stack) A Stewart 8-9 M Roberts	ŧ
608 (2) 4 LARRICON 56 Milesenck Productions Lift Lord Henburgton 8-9 A Munito	7
609 (3) 0 ONCELLA 25 (C Campbell Golding) A Street 8-9	
BETTING: 7-4 Alum Bay, 7-2 Unlargiving Minute, 5-1 Lamida, 6-1 Fort Study, 12-1 Draft Board, 14-1 other	
1991: ELFASIAH B-9 R Hills (100-30 far) H Thomson Jones 16 ran	
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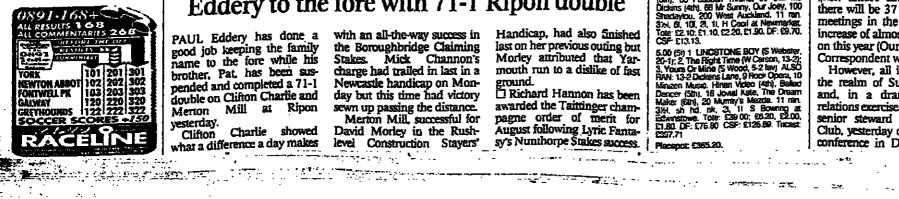
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ALUM BAY %1 2nd of 8 to Million in Mind in a making at Yermouth (Im 21, good to firm). BRAMERLEPHRY's best effort was when 51 2nd of 9 to Namers in a making at Ripon in July (Im 21, good). URFORENTING MINUTE 11/41 2nd of 15 to Anglean in a making at Sandown (Im 21, good to soft). DRAFT BOARD BAIL Sho 11 to Which in a making at Haydock (Im 21 120yd, good). MASSI	91 7th of 14 to Cottonwood in a maxim at Sandon in May (m. 2) anod). LARRENIN 954 4th of 12 United Kingdoon in a maxim at Memorated (m. 2 good). FORT SHEALEY is by Shirley Heights out of Proc is Foret witner Brocade and a full-brother to due! whoming brevent From AL Less. Selection: LIMPONEY/WEST MANUTE.

5.(£5,3	DC 190:	/1 ZUZ)	BOARD MCIVOR SCOTCH WHISKY CLAIMING STAKES (d) (8 runners)					
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AV(IVARIO best Gymcak Premiere a stori head in 8-runner kandican at Doneaster in July (71, good firm). TUSKY 41 ård of 7 to Sir Arthur Hobbs in a rollicap at Ayr in June (71, firm). ELANG SEMG at Sur Le Pouse 11 in a 18-runner handicap at ngchamp in September 1990 (10x 41, good).	KONLACEY 31 3rd of 7 to Laurel Quees us a cat Ayr (71, good to soil). Premously, best Kate 51 to a 12-remover transfers and Southwell 71, standard, GANT Dille 11 1941 3rd of 9 to in a sector at Reuten (71, good to family Selections, SAVOYARO)			

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TRAINERS J Gosden H Cecil M Staute J Witholia M Johnston J Dunkop	Wins 19 27 30 5 5	Ans 59 52 125 22 26 52	322 293 238 227 192 177	JOCKEYS S Cauthen Pat Eddery D Holtand Paul Eddery W Carson L Deftor	Winners 45 46 8 14 33 17	Flides 201 298 42 87 223 118	22.1 22.1 19.1 16.1 14.4

Eddery to the fore with 71-1 Ripon double



brother. Pat, has been sus-

yesterday.

PAUL Eddery has done a good job keeping the family the Boroughbridge Claiming name to the fore while his Stakes. Mick Channon's charge had trailed in last in a pended and completed a 71-1 Newcastle handicap on Mondouble on Clifton Charlie and day but this time had victory Merion Mill at Ripon sewn up passing the distance. Merton Mill, successful for pagne order of merit for

Handicap, had also finished last on her previous outing but CSF S13.13.
S.00 (5) 1 LINCSTONE BUY (S Webster, 20-1); 2 The Right Time (W Cerson, 13-2); 3, Yours Or Mine (S Wood, 5-2 law) ALSO RAN: 13-2 Dicters Lane, 9 Flock Opera, 10 Manzen Music, Hinam Video (4th), Bellad Dencer (5th), 18 Johnst Kele, The Draam Maker (Bin), 20 Mumray's Mazda, 11 ran, 344, sh hd, nk, 2, 11 S Bowring at Edwinstowe, 10th, 23 900; 620, 5200, C1 BL DF: 576.80 CSF: £126.89 Tricast, £237.71 Morley attributed that Yarmouth run to a dislike of fast ground.

☐ Richard Hannon has been

awarded the Taittinger cham-

YESTERDAYS **FONTWELL PARK** HESTETS ...

2.15 Sandro. 2.45 St Athans Lad. 3.15 Dollar Wine. 3.45 Never A Penny. 4.15 Unholy Alliance. 4.45 Peace King. THUNDERER

2.15 Afore Jane. 2.45 St Athans Lad. 3.15 Nomadic Rose, 3.45 Grey Tornado, 4.15 Unholy Alliance, 4.45 Antico Nativo.

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2.15 FISHBOURNE HOVICES CLAIMING HURDI (3-Y-O: £746: 2m 2f) (6 numers)	LE.
1 NATRAL EXCHANGE 25F (V) J Hills 11-7	om
2 SANDRO 21F J Fanshave 11-7	
3 AFORE JAKE 21F 6 Harwood 11-2	
4 AFTER THE PIRE 75F J Whate 10-13	мпи
5 2 RUMBRI OW 26 J Jankins 10-8 R Dutre	
6 P BAZZROY 32 (B) J Moore 10-7 P Moore	a (7)

9-4 Afore Jane, 11-4 Notes Exchange, 4-1 After The Fire, 9-2 Sandro, 8-1 Rumbelow, 20-1 Bazzroy. 2.45 STANE STREET NOVICES CHASE

(£1,057: 2m 2f) (4)
5-21 ST ATHAMS LAD 22 (B.CD.F) R Curits 7-11-12 D Months 2 555P- CAPTAIN KRAYYAN 157 R Rose 6-11-6

COURSE SPECIALISTS TRANERS: G Harwood, 7 wieners from 18 numers, 38.9%, J Moore, 4 from 11, 36.4%; J White, 10 from 35, 28.6%; A Davison, 7 from 25, 28.0%; R Hodges, 4 from 21, 19.0%; J King, 3 from 20, 15.0%, J Jestiss, 8 from 54, 14.8%.

3.15 FONS SELLING HURDLE (£795: 2m 2f) (14)

3.45 SLINDON HANDICAP CHASE

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	2	02-1 4-35	EASTER LEE 30 NEVER A PENA PANTECHNICO	(Y 22 (B,CD) N 11 (F 6.5)	S) J Ellon 9 A Barrow 12	-12-0 1-12 Lorge	D Monts Vincent
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	5	24-4	DEER FEXICER GREY TORNAD	() 11 (F) Mas	5 Williams 1	-11-10 \$	Mettell
7-4	Ne	er A Pi	encry, 9-4 Easter (Lee. 4-1 Parte	chnicos, 9-2 i	Grey Tomado.	A-1 Dees
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(£774	: 2m	61) (6)		
1_	025-	BADBURY LAD 100 (B) J King 6-11-0		
260	SUD-	CHEAP METAL 11F K TOPEN 7-11-0 A MEQUITE		
		UNHOLY ALLIANCE 30 K Bailey 5-11-0 A Tory		
4	330-	SOLID STEEL 8F (V) A Moore 4-10-11 G Moore		
5	122-	SOMERSAULTING 183 A Davison 4-10-11		
6	252-	VALUED FRIEND 100 J Bridger 4-10-11 I Lawrence		
7-4 Uniholy Alifance, 7-2 Somersaultiog, 4-1 Solid Steel, 11-2 Valued Friend, 10-7				
Badbory Lad, 16-1 Chesp Metal.				

4.45 CHICHESTER HANDICAP HURDLE

E1,171: 2	2m 21) (6)	
1 1-23	PEACE KING 18 (CD,BF,F,G) 6 Harwood 6-12-0	M Perret
2 112-	ANTICO NATIVO 19F S Dow 4-10-5	H Davies
	STRIDING EDGE 20 (F,G) J Jenius 7-10-5	
	DAUMOU 23 (P) D Wintle 6-10-5	
5 241P/	ANOTHER BARNEY 676 (F) M Doon 8-10-0	Date McKeowi
B 412-	SUPER MALT 95 (CD.F.6) Mess K Alkson 4-10-0	A Maguin
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NEWTON ABBOT

2.10 Bill Quill. 2.40 Chancery Buck. 3.10 Angels Kiss. 3.40 Grand Frere. 4.10 Channels Gate. 4.40 Myverygoodtriend.

2.10 Jack The Hilker, 2.40 Celtic Diamond. 3.10 Angels Kiss. 3.40 Grand Frere. 4.10 Pharaoh Blue. 4.40 Myverygoodfriend.

2.10 FORCHES CROSS CLAIMING CHASE (£2,094: 2m 110yd) (5 runners)

2.40 COOPER CALLAS BATHROOM DISTRIBUTORS HANDICAP CHASE (£2,698; 3m 2i 110yd) (7)

5-4 Jack The Hiltor, 11-4 Bill Quell, 100-30 Cash Crisis, 8-1 Tariber Lass, 10-1 Tis-nası.

S-2 Height Ol Fun, 11-4 Chancery Buck, 4-1 Celtic Diamond, 5-1 Nudge Double. Up, 8-7 Celtic Remorse, 10-1 Vincanio, 16-1 Patrity Buck.

TRANSERS: M Pipe, 116 winners from 314 remners, 36.9%; J Edwards, 11 from 32, 34.4%; P Hobbs, 22 from 97, 22.7%; G Balding, 7 from 46, 15.2%; D Barcoss, 16 from 110, 14.5%; May J Redar, 10 from 73, 13.7%. JOCKEYS: P Scatamore, 91 witners from 203 rides, 44.8%; J Lower, 10 from 33, 39.3%; N Williamson, 5 from 17, 29.4%; Peter Hotzis, 16 from 83, 19.3%; B Clafford, 7 from 40, 17.5%; M A Fitzgerald, 9 from 55, 18.4%;

COURSE SPECIALISTS

3.10 COOPER CALLAS BATHROOM DISTRIBU-TORS CONDITIONAL JOCKEYS SELLING HANDICAP HURDLE (£1,390: 2m 1f) (9)

YOND HANDICAP HURDLE (£2,137: 2m 1f) (4) 1 P40- FOREST FLAME 117 (CD.F.S) Mrs J Retter 7-11-10

3.40 ARMITAGE SHANKS BATHROOM AND BE-

4.10 BOWRING MARSH AND MCLENNAN NOVI-CES CHASE (£2,032: 3m 2f 110yd) (7)

4-7 Channels Cate, 5-1 Pharosh Blue, 6-1 Carswell's Choice, 10-1 hychurch, 20-1 The Hucklebuck, 25-1 Bryanshi, 33-1 Little Might.

4.40 EXE NOVICES HURDLE (£1,404: 2m 6f) (11) 1 OPO- CORRISH COSSACK (124 D Brows 5-11-2 N Hawte 2 PF- DEVON PRIDE 119 M Churches 5-11-2 Mr M Misone (7) 3 5/46 LORENTESSIO 7 Mrs J Womasos 7-11-2 Mr M Misone (7) 3 5/46 LORENTESSIO 7 Mrs J Womasos 7-11-2 Mr M Misone (7) 4 3/-2 MWYENYSOLOPRISHO 2 (8,6) M Pige 5-11-2 P Scultamore 5 000- ROMENNIES, 218 Mrs J Womasos 10-11-2 W I vene 6 0-P8 SARIAM PRINCE 11 R Callow 6-11-2 C Mande 7 05- SARIAM PRINCE 11 R Callow 6-10-11 S DEVENDE 8 PP BUTTON BOX 488 A Barrow 6-10-11 S Burrough 9 0U-0 MISSINYS STAR 28 (9) A Forts 10-10-11 Tarrya Braytmok (7) 10 PRUDENT PESGY R Frest 5-10-11 Tarrya Braytmok (7) 11 609- THEPTRINCESSIONS/EED 190 A Fort 4-10-8 Mr M Strait A Mountannothiest 6-10 prono Pride 7-1 Carasta Cresset 8-1 Protest Penns

5-6 Mwengoodbland, 6-1 Devon Pride, 7-1 Cornish Cossack, 8-1 Prudent Peggy. Sausaliko Boy, 12-1 Lorenteggio, 16-1 Sarum Prince, 25-1 others.

Sunday success meets financial snag

23.50 DF: 226.90 CSF: £108.81.
4.30 (1m 2f) 1. MRMBCUE (W Ryan, 11-10 fav); 2. El Taranda (Paul Eddey, 11-1); 3. Shammar (Dean McKeown, 6-1) ALSO RAN: 5-2 Rutbah (6th), 11 Grand Honda (5th), 33 Peacock Turone, 50 Call Me Dickins (4th), 66 Mr Sunny, Our Joby, 100 Shadaylou. 200 West Auckland. 11 ran. 3-8, 6t. 101, 21, 5t. H. Ceol at Newmarket. Tota: 52.10, 51.10, 52.20, 51.90, DF: 59.70. CSF 513.13. there will be 37 Sunday race meetings in the republic, an increase of almost 50 per cent on this year (Our Irish Racing Correspondent writes).

However, all is not well in the realm of Sunday racing and, in a dramatic public relations exercise, Sam Waller, senior steward of the Turf

charges, varying from come — Ir£2,500 to Ir£3,500, to cover themselves. the cost of the integrity services which are provided by his

organisation.
"We are not prepared to put the extra cost on our owners," complain that the Racing Board, which looks after the Club. yesterday called a press finances of Irish racing, had

THE publication of the 1993 nounce that someone would matter and that left only one Irish fixture list shows that have to meet the additional other possible source of income — the racecourses

"If they are not prepared to come up with the extra funds," he said, "we will remove their Sunday fixture from the list." Waller pointed out that the said Waller, who went on to Racing Board spends only seven per cent of its budget on

subsidising these integrity services whereas the Levy Board . conference in Dublin to an- washed their hands of the in Britain devotes 26 per cent.

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Last-wicket pair hand **Essex crucial** advantage

By JACK BAILEY

CHELMSFORD (second day of four): Hampshire, with all second-innings wickets in hand, are 60 runs behind

WHO killed Roger Rabbit? The answer at Chelmsford yesterday was that nobody did: not for a long time anyway, and when a last-wicket part-nership of 79 in 17 overs between two of the most furry bunnies in the game — John Childs and Peter Such finally ended, the whole balance of a desperately tight game had been altered almost beyond measure.

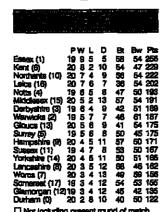
Coming together when Essex were still 24 runs adrift of Hampshire's 233, these two played the innings of their lives. For an hour they set about the Hampshire attack. Such often doing so from a prone position as he evaded Marshall's fearsome deliver-

The sheer unexpectedness of it all, after a day of attrition, took the crowd by storm. Hampshire were flabber-gasted, Childs and Such the only calm people on the ground as they saw first Turner, the young left-arm bowler who had taken a career-best five wickets, out of the firing line and then took on all-comers

Both passed their previous highest score, both mixed panache with hilariously inept running between the wickets. It was a reminder that cricket has its lighter side.

Childs's 43 and the undefeated 35 scored by Such were also innings of immense val-ue. The wicket is taking spin. Turner, bowling from the river end, bowled four and had one leg-before in a spell highly significant for when Childs comes to bowl again.

A lead of 65, once beyond the wildest dreams of Essex, was like gold dust in the paim. were well pleased. Then although before bad light came Childs and Such.



stopped play five minutes early, Hampshire had reduced

Early on, the partnership of 92 between Prichard and Lewis apart, the Essex batting had hitherto lacked an air of permanence, or even much expectation, Stephenson had ilready left to a beauty from Marshall which left him late as he played half forward; and Gooch, forcing Ayling with great power off his legs, had cause to wonder at Smith's brilliant head-high catch at short midwicket.

clipped his way along to a controlled half-century and at 142 for three at Lewis's departure, Essex were back on

bowling Knight, half forward, Prichard and Topley behind their legs and deceiving Garnham and Pringle as to judgment of line. Hampshire re well pleased. Then along

Brown tears into Somerset attack

By Geoffrey Wheeler

FEW young players can have made a more explosive start to a first-class career than Alistair Brown, 22, whose hundred for Surrey against Somerset at the Oval yesterday was his third in only 13 innings. Furthermore, his centuries are three of the eight fastest made thic spacen.

Yesterday's came from 78 balls. Against Durham, at the end of July, he needed only 71 to reach three figures, eight fewer than against Notting-hamshire on July 23. All have been made in competitive

situations. Brown, who wastes little time on reconnaissance, combined with Graham Thorpe, who completed the first dou-ble-century of his career, to give the Somerset bowling a terrible hammering as they added 211 in 34 overs for the fifth wicket. Brown hit three sixes and 14 fours in his 129. and although the last six wickets fell while 19 runs were scored, Surrey reached 557 before they were all out, van Troost hurrying the innings to a close with a spell of four

wickets in 15 balls. Mark Lathwell, Somerset's Extras (b 4)

batting discovery, passed THE WEST TIMES SPORTS SERVICE RACING Call 0891 500 123 Call 0891 100 123 FOOTBALL Reports and scores from the FA Premier League Call 0839 555 562

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1,000 runs in his first full season while scoring 44 as his side recovered from early reverses to reach 159 for five. ☐ David Gower is willing to apologise to the Indian cricket authorities over a claim in his book Gower: The Autobiography that the Indians were warned by the umpires for tampering with the ball dur-ing the Oval Test of 1990.

Gower, who is hoping to tour India with England this winter, said: "I don't want to walk into a controversy about ball-tampering. If I've caused any offence or concern over something I have written I will happily apologise."

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county championship

Essex v Hampshire

CHELMSFORD (second day of four): Mampahire, with all second-innings wicked in hand, are 60 runs behind Essex

HAMPSHIRE: First Image 233 (P M Such 4 for 23)

Second Innings

Worcs v Warwicks

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†S J Rhodes not out †S J Rhodes not out P J Newport c Piper b Booth

Extras (b 7, fb 11, w 2, nb 2)

Total (7 wids)

At 50 for two from 20 overs and a long way to go, Essex knew that a long hard battle For 57 overs Lewis stood firm before a worthy spell from Aying was rewarded when Aymes took off to his right and caught the ball inches from the turf. Meanwhile, Prichard had

Hick brightens a drab encounter By Alan Lee, cricket correspondent

But Turner found a way of

SCARBOROUGH (second day of four): Northamptonshire, with seven first-innings wickets in hand, need 212 runs to avoid the follow-on to against Yorkshire 17 in 13 overs. **NORTHAMPTONSHIRE'S** eventful week began quietly on Monday, it got rather worse yesterday as one of their former players returned to torment them after Yorkshire on his home dub ground. ground on remorselessly to pass 500.

Mark Robinson had a quiet start to his career with his native county when he re-

turned last season, but the

WORCESTER (second day of

four): Worcestershire have

scored 409 for seven wickets

FOR the umpteenth time in his career of contradictions,

Graeme Hick yesterday be-strode the scene at New Road

like some long-ago county

amateur having a nostalgic game for his old village side. There were two teams playing, but only one man raised the

standard above the ordinary.

Hick seemed destined for

his 67th first-class century

from the first over of the day.

when two fours off Allan

Donald, just the sort of bowler

reputed to be too much for

him, completed his fifty. Such

was his mastery that the ninth

double century of his career

loomed until a misunder-

standing with the over-eager

Steve Rhodes ran him out for

Hick batted a shade under

five hours and made more

than two-thirds of the runs

from the bat in that time. His

century was reached with a resounding hook, in front of square, off Donald, and his

stay was decorated with drives

and delicate late cuts.

against Warwickshire

By Peter Ball

been consistently effective this year. He extracted some life out of a hitherto typical Scarborough pitch, low and slug-Northamptonshire in some disarray as he took three for

Northamptonshire's disarray, however, had started early as Yorkshire batted on into the afternoon, Byas reaching his first century of the season, and his third consecutive hundred

He, at least, likes Scarborough. Apart from Robinson. bowlers do not, and it does not produce enthralling cricket. Only when Byas and Jarvis. whose partnership of 133 equalled Yorkshire's highest

When Hick left, this local

derby shed its colourful coat

drabness. Rhodes, batting

high at No. 6, made a worthy

but workaday century, the

second and biggest of his career, as his side gained a position from which it might

bowl out Warwickshire twice

on a pitch of increasingly low

bounce. But the rest of the day

was notable only for the sad

announcement of Graham

Dilley's enforced retirement.

Recently, mention of Dilley's name has invariably

led to ribald comments about

the treatment table. "Just

think," he said yesterday. "All

those physics I'm putting out

and reverted to September

seventh-wicket stand against Northamptonshire, were scoring at a run a minute did the crowd show signs of

Ducking the issue: Lewis, of Essex, evades a bouncer from Marshall, of Hampshire, in a remarkable day's play at Chelmsford

Robinson tortures Northamptonshire

Northamptonshire did not help their cause, Bailey putting down a sharp chance off Byas when he had scored 61, and Penberthy, the unlucky bowier, dropping a return catch from Jarvis. Jarvis profited to reach his

highest first-class score. A maiden century was in sight when he was stranded halfway down the pitch as Byas made no movement. His 80 came off 105 balls, with 12 fours and one six. Byas was more restrained,

holing out attempting a fourth. After fielding for a day and a half in a biting wind, the Northamptonshire batsmen

with his eleventh four in just under four hours. Byas fell

almost immediately, checking

his shot to give Capel a gentle caught-and-bowled.

the arrival of Robinson -

whose fame as the worst

No. 11 in cricket survived his

move to Yorkshire even when

his bowling reputation was

being questioned — finally persuaded Hartley to launch

into Cook, hitting him for three successive sixes before

Batty came and went, and

may have been forgiven for feeling jaundiced. "If this is

what four-day tricket is going to be like next season won't be much fun," one said, but Robinson had his moment tocome and took it with relish as he replaced Harrley. Fordham was the first to go

in his second over, brilliantly picked up by Kellett diving to his right at square leg. Feiton followed in his next over, picking out White at cover. When Loye unnecessarily fol-lowed a ball down the leg side to give Blakey a simple catch. Northants were in some trouble at 60 for three.

Robinson, however, finally had to rest, and Bailey, in his role as acting captain, steadied

Barnett leads by example

By RICHARD STREETON 384 balls. Seldom can he have

shape.

of four): Nottinghamshire. with nine second-innings wickets in hand, are 159 runs behind Derbyshire

KIM Barnett shed his customary bold approach to batting for a remorseless display of concentration vesterday as he carried his bat for the first time in his long career. Barnett made 156, spread across sev-en hours 19 minutes and, ably supported by the tailenders, steered Derbyshire to a lead of

of work." But Dilley, 33, has not always been a frustration. I recall him bowling furiously fast for England in Jamaica, in 1981, and again in Austra-THE end-of-season controversy that seems an inescapable lia six years later. He played 41 Tests, helped Kent win the part of the Gloucestershire championship in 1978 and, a cricketing scene surfaced on decade later, was in the cue yesterday when Bill Athey refused a new two-year con-tract. He will be leaving the Worcestershire side which took the title two years in succession. His career has county staff later this month been ended by a serious neck (Geoffrey Wheeler writes).

ALSO SEPONDS SCOREBOARDS

TRENT BRIDGE (second day batted with such restraint. It was an innings which stressed the dour efficiency required in the four-day game. The day's other talking point was the topical awareness shown by the umpires.

Nottinghamshire lost Saxelby before the close and, though the pitch remains true, they seem unlikely to have any chance of pulling this match out of the fire. Barnett hit 21 fours — eight of them in his first 39 overnight - and faced

Athey, 34, the former England player who has been the

Yorkshire v Northants

Adams and Griffith all brought about their own downfall. Derbyshire were then only three runs ahead Athey refuses contract mainstay of the county batting since his arrival from Yorkshire in 1984, has given no

who twice inspired suspicions of ball-tampering by lengthy inspections of the ball. It

transpired the first time that

some loose thread needed

cutting off and later they had

wondered if it had gone out of

Derbyshire's approach gave

no hint at first of the patient

accumulation to come. After

Sladdin, the nightwarchman,

was caught at slip, O'Gorman,

reasons for his decision to reject the terms offered. But it is certain that a number of other counties will be interested in the future of a player of textbook technique who has scored more than 20,000

runs, including 42 centuries.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-91, 2-126, 3-142, 4-180, 5-182.

survived the only chance he gave. Lewis at slip was unable to hold a possible catch against Afford. It was Krikken, Cork, Bish-

with four wickets in hand and

Barnett, who was 57, had just

op and Warner, who provided Barnett with the support he needed to build the commanding lead which was finally established. Progress was dreadfully slow at times but the Nottinghamshire attack gave little away. Afford and Field-Buss wheeled away steadily and the off spinner, especially, bowled with good control

Krikken helped to add 51 in 30 overs before he moved out to drive and lifted a chest-high catch to mid-on. Cork applied a much needed spur as tea aproached and Derbyshire claimed a third batting point with three balls to spare.

Nottinghamshire took a new hall after the interval and Cork was out in the second over. He aimed a forcing, back-foot stroke and Pollard took a two-handed catch at first slip as he dived to his right. Bishop looked in no trouble as he helped to add 60 in 20 overs before he was bowled by Afford, who went on to have Warner caught at

Mistakes assist Australia

Colombo: Australia, aided by poor Sri Lankan fielding. recovered to the comparative safety of 206 for five at the close of the fourth day of the second Test here yesterday. The touring team is now 195 runs ahead of its hosts,

who declared at their third-day total of 258 for nine. Dean Jones benefited from three let-offs to hold the innings together with an unbeaten 48 in an unbroken sixth-wicket partnership of 57 with Greg Matthews. Sri Lanka's chances of

breaking the Australian batting were dashed by the poor wicketkeeping of Romesh Kaluwitharana, who failed to stump Jones at nought and six, as he went forward to drive the spinners, and to hold an inside edge off Allan Border on 25,

However, Border added just three to his total before Don Anurasiri trapped him legbefore. Jones's luck held when Chandika Hathurusinghe spilled a straightforward catch at second slip.

The off spinner, Muthiah Muralitharan, making his Test debut, bowled superbly in the afternoon to dismiss Tom Moody for 54 and Mark Wangh first ball as Sri Lanka captured three Australian wickets in nine balls.

lartin mostaleic **BOWLS** Cove are set for all-county affair

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By Gordon Allan

THE possibility of an all-Hampshire final in the EBA fours championship — some thing that has not happened since Southsea Waverley beat Southbourne in 1933 — emerged at Worthing yester-day when teams from Bourne mouth and Cove near Farnborough, qualified for this morning's semi-finals. Both had easy wins, Bournemouth 20-11 over

Cleethorpes and Cove 24-15 over Newbury. Nick Jones's Bournemouth four, with an average age of 25, outbowled Cleethorpes, whose skip, Geoff Plakitt, an international in the early Eighties, was left with too much to do by his out-ofform frontmen.

Cove skipped by Jim Marsland, scored steadily to build up a 22-9 lead and then spent the last few ends protect-

Bingham introdus ing it.
The semi-final pairings are Gaston, Hertfordshire, v Cove and Bournemouth Rainworth Miners Welfare, from Nottinghamshire. Garston, skipped by John Simmons, were 9-16 down with three ends to play against Romsey, Cambridgeshire, but tied the scores 16-16 on the twentieth and took a single on the 21st.

Rainworth and Courtfield, Cumbria, were level 19-19 on 🦋 the twentieth with Courtfield holding the winner before Geoff Mee, the Rainworth skip, trailed the jack to the edge of the ditch with the last bowl of the game and, on a measure, took the shot.

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Bill Hobart's team from Sleaford Road, Boston, in Lincolnshire, who had looked more than useful on Monday, lost heavily to Newbury in the third round, winning only two ends after leading 9-7 on the

24-15; Bournemouth (N Jones) bt Cleathorpes (G Plasktil), 20-11; Rahworth MW (G Mee) bt Courtfield (W Arnos), 20-19.

Weales go forward together

ROBERT Weale, who played for Wales in the recent Woolwich world championships at Worthing, qualified for the quarter-finals of the Welsh national pairs and fours championships at British Steel Timplate, Ebbw Vale yesterday (David Rhys Jones writes). A slow start against Ian and Geoff Mellor, of Skewen, saw Weale and his brother, David, trailing 6-0 after five ends, but they dropped only four more on their way to a 20-12 victory. The two Weales, of Presteigne, take on the Welsh

junior internationals, Brenig Powell and Barrie Evans, of Pontrhydyfen, in tomorrow's quarter-finals, while the four Weale version — the brothers, Robert, David, Stuart and Brian - meet Clive Taylor's Old Landorians in the quarter-final of the fours.

The Presteigne four expected a strong challenge from a talented Tonypandy rink but were never seriously troubled after scoring a four on the eighth énd and a five on the

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BRIDGE

Britain take early lead

Salsomaggiore, Italy: Britain started well against Holland in their quarter-final knockout match in the women's series at the world team Olympiad yesterday (Albert Dormer writes). After 32 boards of the 54-board match, due to end late last night, Britain led by 45 international match points to 22. Other scores were Germany 58, Denmark 4; France 49, China 36; Austria 59. Sweden 16. Britain fin 🚁 1. ished second in their group.

In the Open series, Britain failed to qualify for Wednesday's quarter-finals, finishing eighth in their 29-team group, after losing 14-16 to lowly Guadeloupe. This was the pattern of the tournament. doing well against strong teams and poorly against lower-ranked sides.

SPORT IN BRIDER

Total (no wkt) PM Such not out JH Childs b Ayling .. Score after 100 overs: 243-9. FALL OF WICKETS: 1-12, 2-60, 3-142, 4 158, 5-185, 6-188, 7-216, 8-219, 9-219 80MLNG: Marshell 24-7-40-1; Shine 5-0-25-0; Ayling 15:2-0-44-3; Tumer 38-12-81-5; Udal 24-2-91-1; Nicholas 1-0-3-0; James 3-0-7-0. Bonus points, Essex 6, Hampahire 6, Umpres: A G T Whitehead and G Sharp. WORCESTER (second day of four): Worcestershing have scored 409 for seven widests against Warwickshine

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C M Tokey and N V Redford to bet. FALL OF WICKETS: 1-11, 2-13, 3-43, 4-128, 5-244, 8-272, 7-381. WARWICKSHIRE: A.J. Moles, R.G. Twose, "T.A. Loyd, D.P. Oster, D.A. Reave, T.L. Penney, P.A. Booth, H.J. Piper, G.C. Small, T. A. Murition and A.A. Donald.

Bonus points: Worcestershire 3, Warwick shire 2. Umpires: D J Constant and D O Oslear Surrey v Somerset THE OVAL (second day of four): Somerse with five Sist-Irmings wickets in hand, nee 248 runs to avoid the follow on against

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M A Pethern c Lethwel b van Troost
M P Bednel b Trump
N M Kendrick bw b van Troost J Boring not out

Score after 100 overs: \$17-3 FALL OF WICKETS: 1-34, 2-118, 3-284, 327, 5-538, 6-554, 7-657, 8-557, 9-557. BOWLING: Caddick 31-4-134-0; van Troost 28.4-2-104-6; Rosa 25-5-93-0; Heyhurst 6-2-19-0; Trump 40-6-143-3; Cottem 14-3-35-1; Lathwell 2-0-17-0. SOMERSET: First Innings

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G D Rose not out Total (5 wids, 74 overs) 159 A C Cottam, A R Catdick, H R J Trump and A P Van Troost to bet. FALL OF WICKETS: 1-14, 2-14, 3-68, 4-73, 5-104. Bonus points: Surrey 6, Somerset 2. Impires: J D Bond and R Palmer.

Notts v Derbys

TRENT BRIDGE (second day of louf): Nottingnamahre, with nine second-innings

NOTTINGHAMSHIRE: First Innings (M Sexelby 57, D G Cork 5 for 36) Second innings FALL OF WICKETS: 1-1. DERBYSHIRE: First Innings

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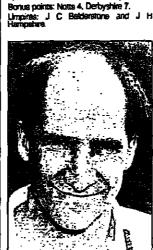
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A E Warner a Field-Buss b Afford Score after 100 overs 250-7. BOWLING: Lewis 21-2-64-1. Calms 19-2-77-1; Alford 37 4-15-70-3; Pennett 18-6-35-2; Field-Buss 29-13-60-2; Crawley 2-0-5-0



Glamorgan v Sussex CARDIFF (second day of lour): Glarnorgan have scored 177 for five wickets against Sussex P A Cossey not out
D L Hemp to Selectury
R D B Croft not out Extras (fb 1, w 2, nb 3) Barnett: carried his bat for Derbyshire

SCARBOROUGH (second day of four): Northemptonshire, with seven first-innings widels in hand, need 211 to avoid the tokow on against Yorkshire YORKSHIRE: First Innings GLOUCESTERSHIRE: First Innings Extres (b 8, 1b 10, w 2, nb 1) Extras (b) 8, w 2) ... Score after 100 overs: 300-4. FALL OF WICKETS: 1-140, 2-209, 3-224, 4-247, 5-317, 6-324, 7-457, 8-482, 9-488.

BOWLING: Teylor 29-6-79-0; Capel 23-3-65-2; Penberthy 19-3-84-1; Curren 23-3-79-2; Cook 35-5-9-117-1; Roberts 25-6-73-0; Batley 4-0-14-1. NORTHAMPTONSHIRE: First knings Extras (0 3, 10 1, no 3)

Total (3 wids, 60 overs) . K M Curran, A L Penberthy, †D Rigiey, A R. Roberts, J P Taylor and N G 8 Cook to ball FALL OF WICKETS: 1-36, 2-39, 3-60. Bonus points: Yorkshire 5, Northsmptor Umpires: H D Bird and V A Holder.

GLAMORGAN: First innings S P James low b C M Wells ... H Monts b Donelan A Dale c Moores b Donelan "M P Maynard low b Selectury

SUSSEC C C Remy, J W Hall, N J Lenham, "A P Walls, M P Spaight, C M Walls, 12 Moores, F D Stepherson, I D K Salisbury, B T P Donelan and E S H Giddins. Bonus points: Glemorgen 1, Sussex 2. Umpires: D R Shepherd and A A Jones. **Gloucs y Leics** BRISTOL (first day of four, Leice won toss): Gloucesterahire have a won toss): Gloucesterahire i for no wicket against Leices

Total (no wikt, 18 overs) .. M W Alleyne, C W J Athey, T H C Hancock 1R C Russel, J T C Vaughan, "C A Walsh, A C J Ball, M Davies and M J Gerrard to be LECESTERSHIRE: T.J Boon, "N E Briers.
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Potter, 1P A Nison, A.D. Muslelly, W.K. M.
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Umpires: J W Holder and P B Wight. Test match Sri Lanka v Australia

COLOMBO (fourth day of Bve): Australia, with five second-immigs wickets in hand, are 195 runs ahead of Sri Lunka. AUSTRALIA: First Innings 247 (D M Jones, G Matthews \$5) T M Moody b Muraltharan
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D M Jones not out
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A R Border low b Amraski
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Armstrong earmarked for debut

Martin may come off bench for nostalgic return

LEE Martin, who scored the winner for Manchester Unied in a bad-tempered replay of the 1990 FA Cup final against Crystal Palace, may face the same opponents at Old Trafford tonight (Louise Taylor writes). The left back is among the substitutes.

Since that famous goal in the 1-0 win at Wembley, Martin could be forgiven for feeling that he has become Manchester's invisible man. His career has been interrupted by a series of injuries, colminating in a back

Martin has failed to figure in Alex Ferguson's plans for the past two seasons but now, with Mike Phelan and Paul Parker out for lengthy periods, and a Uefa Cup tie against Moscow Torpedo coming up later this month, he is on the brink of the first team again.

BILLY Bingham has chosen

to stir rather than to shake his

Northern Ireland squad in

readiness for next week's

World Cup qualifying fixture against Albania in Belfast (Ian

After the embarrassment of

dropping a point to the part-timers of Lithuania in their

opening group three game at

Windsor Park in late April.

Bingham knows that another

lapse at the same venue would,

almost certainly, prematurely end his country's interest in

qualification for the finals in

the United States in

Although his options are

severely limited by a paucity of

available talent. Bingham,

predictably, has decided to

make changes to his senior

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Ross writes).

newcomers to squad

We need as many English qualified players as possible for the Uefa Cup and it is important we get Lee back." Ferguson said. "He needs a taste of first-team football again and will be on the bench against Palace.

"Lee has a lot of injury problems since he helped us win the Cup, but now, hopefully they are all in the past." Clayton Blackmore has recovered from a virus and will

play against a Palace side managed by Steve Coppell, once an idol at Old Trafford until injury prematurely ended his career. Coppell is expected to give Chris Armstrong, the forward he purchased for E1 million

squad. Rogan, of Sunderland, and Quinn, of Reading, are omitted, which, bearing in

mind the inconsistency of the

former and the age of the

latter, could well signal the

end of their international

The infusion of new blood

comes in the form of Keith

Rowland. Bournemouth's

very promising but relatively inexperienced left back, and

Ray Campbell, the highly-rated winger from

Glentoran.
NORTHERN RELAND SQUAD: T Wright
(Newcastle United), A Fettle (full City); M
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Glentoran.

"but Armstrong came on as substitute for Wrexham and caught our eye. So we arranged a friendly against them — and bought him as from Millwall on Sunday night, his Premier League debut. Palace hope that Arm-strong, 21, 6ft tall and as swift as they come, will give Mark one for the future. His control needed working on. "Armstrong will do well for Palace though. His bursts of pace and ability in the air will suit their direct style. Arm-**Bingham introduces**

strong has lived in London for a while so he will settle at Palace all right and he's a fast Meanwhile Ian Wright and his Arsenal team-mates travel across London to Queen's

Bright the formidable striking partner he has lacked since lan Wright was sold to Arsenal for £2.5 million last

It is, however, a lot to ask of

Armstrong, a player whose immense promise is countered

by inevitable inexperience, which is why he struggled to stay in the Millwall first team

last season when he scored

Bruce Rioch, now in charge

four goals in 25 appearances.

of Bolton Wanderers, bought Armstrong for Miliwall last summer for £50,000. "We

went to Wrexham to look at a

Cardiff City player." he said,

Park Rangers where David Seaman, the Arsenal goalkeeper but formerly of Queen's Park Rangers, will want to impress after his latest error on Saturday. Sightings of David Webb,

the presently unemployed for-mer manager of Southend United, at the Tottenham Hotspur training ground will no doubt have been noted by Doug Livermore and Ray Clemence, Tottenham's joint first-team coaches.

Tottenham, who have yet to win a Premier League fixture, have made their worst start to a season for 18 years and are desperate to put a few things right at home to Sheffield

Yugoslavia wait for World Cup verdict

taghan Forest 1.

QM: VAUXHALL CONFERENCE:
Fantarough 0. Wycombe 2; Galeshead 4,
Rundom 1. Kuddarminster 0. Kentenne 0 Monday to convince the Uni ted Nations (UN) that they should be allowed to compete in the 1994 World Cup quali-

Fambrongh O, Wycorribe 2; Gateshead 4, Rurborn 1, Kudderminster O, Kertening O, Maccesteldd 1, Northwork 2, Merthyn 1ydili 1, Bath 1, Slough 2, Dagenham 0, Stalybridge 3, Telford 3, Weiling D, Yeovid 3; Weinn 1, Almincham 1

BASS NORTH WEST COUNTIES LEASE First division: Bamber Bridge 1, Entwood Harriey 0, Chadderium 1, Mercham 1, Chadderium 1, Mercham 0, Cithèree S, Bacup Brough 1, Mainn Roud (Man) 3, Glossop North End 3, Pennin 2, Atherton LR 2; Preson 0, Blackpool Mechanics 0; Seimersdale 2, Kidsgrove 4

FA CUP: Preliminary round replays: Ashford Town (Middid) 0, Rayners Land 1, Malden Vale 3, Merstham 1; Rossendale 1, Working 2, Wilesham 2, Enddey 1; Workisop 3, Fridion 0, Newstee 2, Wilesham 2, Hondey 1; Workisop 3, Fridion 0, Newstee CVENDEN COMBINATION: Chalses 5, Milwall 1, STHMAN LEAGUE CHARITY SHIELD: Gray: 1, Working 5

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Yugoslavia's opening qualifying match in group five against Iceland, scheduled to take place today, was post-poned last week. Neither Slovenia nor Croatia, who have set up their own leagues and associations since splitting away from Yugoslavia. are

playing in the World Cup. After the break-up of the Commonwealth of Independent States, Russia has been awarded their place in group five and there are hopes in Ukraine that it may yet replace Yugoslavia if, as expected, the UN refuses permission for it to take part in the qualifying

rounds. Although Czechoslovakia is expected to follow the trend in eastern Europe and split into

YUGOSLAVIA have until two countries, the Czech Reary, it will continue to exist as one country for the World Cup. Tomorrow, Czechoslovakia meet Belgium in a group four qualifier in Prague with Jan Stejskal, the Queen's Park Rangers goalkeeper, likely to be included.

Another London-based player will feature in Sweden's World Cup group six qualify-ing tie with Finland in Helsinki on September 9. Anders Limpar, the Arsenal winger. was yesterday named in a 16man squad that is missing the injured Tomas Brolin, its most dangerous forward.

ber 9. Switzerland beat Esto-

IIIB O-U IN 1 BIRTH 1851 MORTH
in their opening fixture.
SWITZERLAND SOLIAD Me Scotland in
Berro, September 9): S Lehmenn, M
Pascolo, A Egil, A Geiger, D Herr, M
Hottiger, I Quentin, R Acthenibhier, G
Bregy, S Chapulest, M Grass, A Krup, C
Ohrel, B Pittaretti, C Storze, A Suster, B
Sutter, D Zuffi.

The forward, Alain Sutter. was recalled by Switzerland yesterday for their World Cup group one qualifier against Scotland in Berne on Septemnia 6-0 in Tallinn last month

☐ The Brazilian club. Palmeiras, has bid more than £2 million to sign Diego Maradona from Napoli. Sevilla, the Spanish club, is due to have talks with Napoli about

Maradona today.



Barefooting: walking on water, once the pastime of a select few, is no longer restricted to such an elite band (Jane Elliott writes). The art, demonstrated here in practice by Jan Ballain, of Belgium, will be seen at its most effective at the eighth world

barefoot waterskiing championships at Lakeside, in Thurrock, Essex, this week. The event, traditionally a two-horse race between Australia and the United States, looks likely to be the closest-run yet. Britain's hopes are carried by Kim Harding and Ben

Goggin in the women's and men's jumping events, with the team hoping to claim a fourth consecutive bronze medal. This year, however, as well as contending with the Belgians, New Zealanders and Canadians, they face a formidable South African team.

Courier narrowly passes college champion's test

FROM ANDREW LONGMORE, TENNIS CORRESPONDENT, IN NEW YORK to break last year's runner-up

and calm the nerves.
"After I won the first game.

I just hung in there and fought for every point," O'Brien said.

"I wasn't thrilled at having

drawn Courier in the first

round, but then 1 realised it

was a great opportunity. I just

wish I could have played the

Had he done so, we might

have been contemplating the

demise of the No. I seed in the

first round for the second time

in three years, following

Stefan Edberg's ignominious exit to Alex Volkov in 1990.

O'Brien and Courier crossed

swords in the junior ranks, but

have gone separate ways since

then, Courier to fame and

fortune as a professional,

O'Brien through the college

route, which has produced

successful students. Their

match was therefore a reflec-

bigger points better."

AS HE slogged and sweated his way through his opening round at the United States Open, Jim Courier must have wondered if life at the top was really worth the struggle. The world No. 1 and top seed came through in the end, but he took four sets and just over three hours to dispose of a college kid, fresh from the University of Stanford and making his debut in a grand slam tournament. Rather

sterner challenges lie ahead. The match, which finished just after midnight, can have done little to ease Courier's peace of mind after a distinctly edgy summer and, though he professed to be happy with the way he played, the truth was somewhat different.

"It really was a pretty straightforward match, Courier said after a 4-6, 6-1, 6-3. 7-6 victory. If he can convince himself of that, he has a bright future in politics. Even at the death, when, by

rights, Alex O'Brien's resis-tance should have been broken. Courier had to rely on a timely ace to take his fourth match point. Much of what had gone before was unrecognisable from the dominant character of the spring and O'Brien, who gained an automatic wild card as the national college champion, was pleasantly surprised at how quickly he managed to bridge the gap between campus and centre court. In fact, it took him precisely one game

tion of different systems aswell as styles. "It was much like the matches we had ten years ago," Courier commented. "Running each other ragged on the baseline." Of the two. O'Brien showed the better grasp of when to come to the

net, taking advantage of a strange inconsistency in Courier's much-vaunted passing strokes. Greater experience and superior fitness won the night and the prospect of a second

round against the enigmatic Russian, Andrei Chesnokov.

US OPEN RESULTS

Men's singles First round
J Courier (US) bi A O'Brien (US), 4-6, 6-1, 6-3, 7-6; P Kuhnen (Ger) bi C Caratti (tt), 6-4, 6-7, 6-2, 3-6, 7-5; B Gilbert (US) bt S Bryan (US), 6-3, 6-1, 6-4; C-Uwe Steeb (Ger) bt C Ruud (Nor), 6-2, 7-6, 6-3. Women's singles

First round First round
Signal (Ger) bt H Cioffi (US), 6-0, 62; C Rubin (US) bt J Emmons (US),
6-1, 7-5; V Milwdskaia (CIS) bt T
Whitinger (US), 6-4, 6-1; D
Monami (Bel) bt T Whitington (US)
6-2, 2-6, 6-3; H Sukova (Cz) bt C

Lindqvist (Swe), 6-0, 6-4; R White bt S Frankl (Ger), 6-0, 6-3; S Appelmans (Bel) bl A Huber (Ger), 6-3, 6-4; S Hack (Ger) bt S McCarthy Alpharetta, Ga., 6-4, 6-3; B Schultz (Holl) bt M Werdel (US), 6-3, 4-6, 6-4; J Halard (Fr) bt F Bonsignon (It), 8-1, 6-3.

M Pierce (Fr) bt M Vento (Ven), 6-2, 6-2; Fang Li (China) bt K Habsudova (Cz), 7-5, 6-0; G Sabatini (Arg) bt L Harvey-Wild (US), 6-1, 6-2; G Helgeson (US) bt R Zrubakova (Cz), 7-5, 7-6; A Strnadova (Cz) bt B Rittner (Ger), 6-2, 6-1.

cannot fill Courier with confidence as he strives to win his third grand slam title of the

Though somewhat breath-lessly, Courier joined Michael Stich, Goran Ivanisevic and Guy Forget, the other men's seeds on early view, in the second round. The Croat avenged his defeat in Barcelona by beating Marc Rosset, the Olympic champion, in three workaday sets, reasserting a superiority which he showed over the big-serving Swiss at Wimbledon. Boris Becker, seeded No. 7, started and finished brightly in beating an old foe, Kevin Curren, in four sets, though the middle was typically patchy. For once, it was the women

who provided the first upset of the tournament, Anke Huber. 6-3. 6-4 by Sabine Appelmans. of Belgium. Huber. who had lost to Jo Durie in Paris, was due to meet Clare Wood, in the second round, though it was more her own inadequacies than the prospect of playing another British girl which cost her dear. Not for the first time in a difficult year. Huber could not summon the power and consistency which marked her rise to the top ten the previous year. She will need to take stock during the rest of the

"I am disappointed because I have never played well at the US Open. Perhaps next year. If I could have won this match, I think I had a good draw," Huber said.

Elsewhere, the results were more predictable. Monica Seles, the No. I seed and defending champion, with barely a grunt out of place, beat Audra Keller for the loss of one game, Steffi Graf, the No. 2 seed, lost two to Halle Cioffi and Gabriela Sabatini three in defeating Linda Harvey-Wild, who, lest we forget, beat Martina Navratilova at Eastbourne in the summer. How the mighty are

GOLF

Adjustments help Welch take lead

By John Hennessy

MICHAEL Welch, 19, emphasised his resurgence in amateur golf with a round of 75 at Carnoustie yesterday. Allied to a 73 at Panmure the previous day, it gave him a handsome lead among the qualifiers for today's matchplay stage of the Amateur championship.

Young as he is, Welch suffered a setback last year after a stunning series of victories as a boy in 1990. But he has a mature head on his broad shoulders. "I knew it would come back," he said yesterday. "I told myself I just had to be patient."

His putter had deserted him and he took his troubles, as many others have done in similar circumstances, to Harold Swash, a Southport expert on the greens. Swash made several changes, notably in his required to "comb it", raising the putter in the followthrough to impart top spin.

The result is that where before little would go right. only one thing has gone wrong in the past couple of months, a defeat in the first round of the English championship. Specifically, he won his Open championship regional and final qualifying competitions and so became one of only three amateurs to win through to the championship proper.

For all Swash's expertise, Welch once suffered four putts yesterday, on the notoriously

difficult fourth green, plagued

now by winds of only gale

force. Well, they had touched storm-force the day before. While Welch, relatively speaking was mastering Carnoustie, a Frenchman who had shown much fortitude in appalling circumstances in his youth, was applying his strength of character to

Panmure. Frederic Cupillard, now 27, recorded a 71 there for a total of 157. Cupillard was involved in a which left him with a partial paralysis of the face and the loss of his right eye. He had suffered more than most from

road accident at the age of 14 the conditions at Carnoustie on Monday because of the after-effects of his injuries and his 86 there had threatened his survival today. As it was, he seemed likely to

players in the matchplay draw. With a few players still on the course the signs were that the holder. Gary Wolstenholme, would survive on the last qualifying score, 163. He had an extraordinary round at Panmure comprising three double bogeys and 15 pars. Dublin, Ohio: Justin Leonard defeated Thomas Scherrer eight and seven to win the 92nd US amateur championship here. His victory, by the largest margin in an amateur final since 1983, means that Leonard will be paired with the US Open champion. Tom Kite, at next year's US Open.

LEADING SCORES

Scores at Carnoustre Inst
148: M Welch (Hill Valley), 75, 73, 153: S
Galbrath (LS), 79, 74, 155: M McGuite
(Drayton Park), 76, 79, B Dredge (Bryn
Meadows), 82, 73, 156: D Downle
(Ladybank), 83, 73, 157: F Cupillard
(France), 86, 71: S Galfacher (Bathgate),
81, 76, G J Robertson (Ravenspark), 83,
75; S Hoffmarr (Fulwell), 80, 78, J Ras (Monifieth), 80, 78, R Johnson (Cardiff),
85, 73; C Davles (Rhuddlan), 78, 82, 159:
R J Bennett (Abbeydale), 79, 80; C Fort
(Nalson), 82, 77.
160: J Faragoan (Milliown), 84, 78, T

(Nelson), 82, 77.

180: J Fanagan (Milliown), 84, 78, T Trodd (Langley Park), 85, 75: M Stanford (Saftord), 81, 79, 161: S Edgley (Parisstone), 77, 84. L Westwood (Worksop), 84, 77, M Elis (Wiesrham), 76, 85, S Twynholm (Morpeth), 79, 82; H McKibbin (Troon Webbeck), 84, 77; C Watts (Hawkstone Park), 81, 80; M

O'Hare (Gleddoch), 84, 77; G Davidson (Langhom), 76, 85, D Yates (US), 81, 80, G Pooley (Aldenham), 79, 82, 182; R Dinsdale (Newport), 80, 82, R Hussey (W Essex), 79, 83, S Knowles (Ongknowe), 82, 80; S Engar (Aus), 84, 78, J Miligan (Barassie), 82, 80; P Sherman (Ashlord), 80, 82; C Watson (E Renhawshire), 85, 77, R Burns (Barbindge), 85, 77, C O'Carroll (Brynhill), 84, 78

163: G Lashford (Matden), 88, 75, H Roberts (Southerndown), 83, 80: I Pyman (Send Moor), 85, 78, E Lindsay (Blairgowne), 85, 78, A Hogg (Ratho Park), 85, 78; M Schotz (SA), 84, 79, G Sherry (Barassle), 85, 78; M McChung (US), 83, 80; L Cox (Fodhills), 86, 77; 7°; P McKeltar (E Renfrewshre), 86, 77; T Yelin (US), 83, 75; G Wolstenholme (Bristol and Culton), 87, 76; D Lynn (Trenthern), 77, 86

SPORT IN BRIEF

Galvano bid by Wharton

Mickey Duff, the manager of Henry Wharton, the unbeaten Commonwealth boxing champion, has offered \$1 million to Mauro Galvano, of Italy, to put his WBC world tide on the line against Wharton, outside Italy.

Wharton, of York, meets Fidel Castro Smith in a double super-middleweight title hout at Elland Road on September 23. Galvano meets Nigel Benn in Rome on October 3.

Jackman advances

Squash rackets: Cassandra Jackman, 19, the world junior thampion, from Norfolk, rose from No. 6 to No. 4 on the world ranking list issued yesterday. Rebecca Macree, 21. from Barking in Essex, entered the top 20. Martine Le Moignan, of Hampshire, is

men's world open championship in Johannesburg this month because of a hip injury.

Hill on move

Hockey: Robert Hill, 25, who scored six goals from short corners in seven matches for Great Britain at the Barcelona Olympic Games, has transferred from Havant to Firebrands in Bristol, to be nearer his commitments as a farmer. David Faulkner has stood down as Havant captain in fayour of Colin Cooper.

Romanova runs

Athletics: Yelena Romanova, who won the Olympic 3.000 metres for the Unified team. will run in the Standard Life Princes Street Mile in Edinburgh on September 13.

Action replay

Cricket: Devon, who beat Staffordshire in the Holt Cup final ranked No. 2 behind Susan last week, will meet them again in the Minor Counties Chris Robertson, the world championship final at Worces-No. 3. will not contest the ter on September 13.

ATHLETICS

BELFAST: Les Jones Memorial Games (GB unless stated) Les Jones memorial mile: W Tanui (Men), 3-56.87. High jump: 1, Jacoby (US), 2:20m. squal 2, S Smith and G Pyodorkov (Flus), 2:20. Pole vault: K Tarpenning (US), 5.72. Women: 400m: C Czooks (Can), 51 72. BASEBALL

NATIONAL LEAGUE: Atlanta Braves 7. Naw York Mets 5: Chicago Cutis 2, Los Angeles Dodgers 0: Houston Astros 9. Philipadelphia Phillies 2, Montreal Expos 8, Chromata Rada 4: St Louis Cardinals 6, San Diego Podres 2.

AMERICAN LEAGUE: Balamore Orioles 4.
Oakland A's 0; Cleveland Indians 4.
Cakland Angels 3. Karses City Royals 5.
Texas Rangers 2. Minnesota Twins 5.
Demot Tigers 3: Seattle Mariners 15. Boston
Red Sox 2. Toronto Blue Jays 9, Chizago
White Sox 2

BRITISH STEEL TIMPLATE, Ebbw Valor Welah Bowling Association national championships: Pairs: First round: J Frith and T Ludlow (Whiteheads) bit G Rossa and C Tood (Penarth), 31-11; C Evens and J E Thomas (Ystradiechari) bit E Charles and C Forey (Brythylyd), 22-14, D and R Wedle (Presisagne) bit land G Meltor (Sreven), 20-12; B Powell and B Evens (Pontrhydylan) bit A Evens and E Oliver (Brythylyd), 21-12; K and P Rowlands (Penhal) bit D Jones and T Martin (Troodylink), 35-17; P Howels and G Jones (Aberystwyth), 17-15; G Hill and M Arestey (Abergsteinyl) bit N and B Flemmg (Nacitynlisth), 25-12; M Selvay and A Awood (Caerphilly) bit J Rewie and C Crustman (Griffen Park), 26-7 Triples: First round: St. Fagans, IJ Greenstade) bit Newtown (C Jones), 22-12; Cwmborn Park

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(D Cook) bt Aberystwyth (G Etis). 19-14. Caerau Weitere (H Pachiord) bt Curnatan (A Samuel). 16-14. Dinas Pows (I C Fraser) bt Loughor (R Jenkins). 20-17. Liendmodod Wells (K Price) bt Wheatsheet (N Evans), 20-18. Menthy West End (D Evans) bt Cyfarthts Caste (P Toomsy). 18-16. Glyncoming (G Symons) bt Brynmens (R Price), 18-16.

Price), 18-16
Fours: First round: Barry Athletic (G. Wilsams) bit Gritings (H. Jenichis), 18-15
Pontypridd (R. Luston) bit Llennifloes (T. Euros), 18-17. Old Landonans (C. Taylor) bit Beaufort (P. Williams), 20-18. Tenby (P. Currie) bit Bonymaen (W. Clement), 22-10; Prestinging (R. Weale) bit Tompgendy (S. Wilshine), 22-13, Brynhyfryd (E. Cliver) bit Pencoed (A. Troy). 24-16: Lampater (J. Edwards) bit Pennicum (G. Harry), 27-16; Physibma (P. Greenwood) bit Pennardunas (B. John), 21-12.



FOR THE RECORD CRICKET RAPID CRICKETLINE SECOND X1 CHAMPIONSHIP: Tauritori: Somerset v Yorkshre, no play Chellenham: Sussex 267-8 dec (K Greenfield 104, J A North 69): Gloucestershre 4-2 Leloestershrist: Essex 359-9 dec (D D J Robinson 206): Lecestershre 26-1 Chesterfield: Northamptonshre 375-7 dec (N A Stanley B1, K innes 60, M Bowen 56). Derbyshre 76-1 (G Steer 52 not out)

CYCLING

VALENCIA: World chemplonships: Men: Professional sprint: Quarter-finals (best of three rides): M Holher (Ger) by K Kaids Liapam), 2-0: F Magne (Fr) by C Goinell (tt), 2-0: E Schoets (Bet) bt B Dendanel (Den), 2-0: F Colas (Fr) bt H Metou (Japam), 2-1: Semi-finals: (peet of three). Hübner bt Colas, 2-0: Magne bt Schoets, 2-0: Final (best of three); Hübner bt Schoets, 2-0: Final (best of three); Hübner bt Magne, 2-0: (last 200-metre times 11 256sec, 103s2). Third place: Schoets bt Colas, 2-0. Ameteur landem sprint: Quarter-finals: A Peden and D Dev bt F Lancena and D Lamye (Fr), 2-1: 1 Hargaz and P Buran (Cz) bt D Vavils and K Galass (Gi), 2-0. G Capitano end F Pars (tt) bt E Hearwell and M Northesten (US), 2-0. E Raasch and E Pokomy (Ger) bt G Hobert and P Boyd (GB), 2-0 Semi-finals: G Capitano and F Pars (tt) bt E Reasch and E Pokomy (Ger). 2-0 Professional 5,000 metres pursuit: Semi-finals: M McCarthy (US), 5-17-276 bt F Moreau (Fr), 5-46-176; S Wallace (GB), 5-46-517 bt A Kasputis (Life), 5-46-869

SONY WORLD PANKINGS: 1, N Falco (GG), 21,34pts avge; 2, F Couples (LS), 16,30, 3, J-M Olgazabai (Sp), 14,19, 4, B Langer (Ger), 13,86; 5, I Woosnam (GB), 13 (G; 6, P Azmeer (LS), 11,08, 7, G Narman (Aus.), 11,07, 8, S Balesstens (Sp), 10,55; 9, J Cook (US), 10,41; 10, N Proce (Zm), 10,25, 11, 1 Kite (US), 9,96, 12, D Love (US), 9,80, 13, M O'Meara (US), 9,27,

14, R Floyd (US), 8.47; 15, M McNuby (Zm), 8.34, 16, C Pavin (US), 8.33; 17, B Lietzke (US), 7.72; 18, R Davis (Aus), 7.48; 19, I Bekar-Finch (Aus), 7.42; 20, M Ozaki (Japan), 7.25

RUGBY UNION

fallen.

TOUR MATCH: Vancouver Freser Valley 18, Northumberland 14. SNOOKER

BLACKPOOL: Dubai Duby Free Classic: First round (England unless stated): S Alibit K Payne, 5-4; P Deubriey bi I Williamson, 5-0; N Terry bi S Meeldin, 5-1; R O'Sulfivan bi W Rendle, 5-1; S Langue bit K McAlinden (N Ire), 5-0; A Fisher bi S Mazrocis, 5-3; Y Merchant (Mala) bi S Longworth, 5-3; P Gibson bi S Gill, 5-3; B Shraddon (Scot) bit F Maskel, 5-2; K Broughton bi J Seuroders, 5-4; S Campbell bi M Gold, 5-2; A Hamilton bit E Henderson (Scot), 5-2; N Dyson bit B Henderson (Scot), 5-2; N Dyson bt Junn, 5-1, A Caims bt G Home (Scot), 5-Burn, 5-1, A Cairrs bt G Home (Scot), 5-4; T Murphy (N Irsy bt J Lardner (Scot), 5-4, T Shaw bt C Small (Scot), 5-4, Second round: M Daws (Eng) bt S Nawbury (Wales), 5-3, S Storey (Eng) bt S Murphy (Irel, 5-3, A Trigg (Eng) bt K Stevens (Can), 5-2; P Dawes (Wales) bt C Edwards (Eng), 5-4; M Price (Eng) bt P McPhillips (Scot), 5-6; M Price (Eng) bt P McPhillips (Scot), 5-1, T Crappet (Wates) bt J Prince (Irsy), 5-1, T Crappet (Wates) bt J Prince (Irsy), 5-2, D McDonnell (Eng) bt C Roscoe (Wales), 5-3, S An (Eng) bt D Gottan (Can), 5-1; J Wych (Can) bt R Princott (Eng), 5-2; P Lines (Eng) bt L Dodd (Eng), 5-2; P Lawler (Eng) bt J Higgins (Scot), 5-4; W Jones (Wales) bt M Macleod (Scot), 5-2.

SQUASH RACKETS

WISPA WORLD RANKINGS: 1, S Devoy (VZ): 2, M Le Mognan (Eng); 3, M Matrin (Aus): 4, C Lacionen (Eng): 5, R Lembourne (Aus): 6, H Walter (Can): 7, L Inving (Aus); 8, S Wright (Eng): 9, L Ope (Eng): 10, S FizGerald (Aus).

YACHTING

Jackdaw is repulsed in bid for line honours

PHILIP Tolhurst, sailing Warlord IV, lost out by a mere 23 seconds in the class one race as Burnham Week continued yesterday. The J39 faced its toughest competition of the week when Jackdaw put up a great fight for line honours, although it was Sensor that took the race on corrected times (a Special Correspondent writes).

The new style Sigma 400 overhauled the deficit on the water when handicaps were taken into account.

The larger yachts were more at home in the blustery conditions that prevailed for the second time in three days. The Force five to six south-westerly dismasted the class four yacht Quillet and the Sonata BRS, but it enabled the class one fleet to attack their 34-mile course with relish.

The Sigma 38 class was won by Peter Whiteley's Bullwinkle, although

Lymington's David May can be expected to step up his challenge for honours after coming second in Wayward.

It was an unfortunate day for Colin Brewer and his crew on board the Squib, Hera. They were involved in a port and starboard dispute with Shirlen and came off worse in the collision that followed. The boat sank but the crew were in no danger as they were swiftly picked up by another competitor.

RESULTS: Class one: 1. Sersor (Mr and Mrs D Chatterton), 2. Werlord N (P Tofhurst), 3. Wavetrain II (D Ederflett). Sigma 38: 1. Bullwinks (P Whateley), 2. Wayward (D May), 3. Solizaira II (P Fin). Class two: 1. Flona of Burnham (D Geaves); 2. Surnise of Mersea (J Gozzot); 3. Quotida of Burnham (R Smrth) Class three: 1, Bottle (G Stewart); 2. Dizzy Lizzy (A Monchell); 3. Xandra (D Willicher and R Brown). Class lour: 1, Scarlet of Arun (N and S Holland-Brown); 2. Casama: (D Willicher), 3. Misely (R and C Prior) Dragons: 1. Harlequin (M Holmes); 2, Avalanche V (T Wade), 3. White Bhron (R MetAlle), Squibse 1, Hor Doo! (P Pearson), 2. Rojo (P Machand), 3. Hussy (D Netherona). RBOD: 1, Omy (J Lindsey and M Shekds); 2. Phalanope (N Tressider); 3. Red Jacket (T and C Hermg).

Taylor keeps faith with old guard

FOOTBALL CORRESPONDENT

GRAHAM Taylor is to make a new start with old material. Almost all those players involved in England's undistinguished contribution to the European football championship in June have been asked to carry the nation's hopes of reaching the World Cup finals

The squad chosen for next week's international in Spain, the only practice match for the next nine months, features only two newcomers, David White, of Manchester City, and Rod Wallace, of Leeds United, both of whom are wingers noted for their speed. Taylor's statement of faith

in players who collectively fell short of expectations extends as far as recalling Tony Adams. Though the central defender was long ago exposed as an inadequate international, he is extravagantly rewarded merely for being ready to respond to an

The problem was caused shamelessly by Mark Wright. who has surprisingly been forgiven for the embarrassing confusion he caused. Not knowing whether Wright was going to Sweden or back to Liverpool, Taylor was ultimately left with only 19 members of his party during the

Had England been permitted by Uefa, the sport's European governing body, to summon a third replacement, Adams would willingly have filled the gap. "He was pre-pared to come to England's rescue", as Taylor put it yesterday. The image of the Arsenal captain waiting to sweep down the hill like the cavalry

may amuse some speciators. The ungainly Adams has been likened in the past to a donkey. The jibe is cruel, but it is significant that he has been selected only twice in two years. On both occasions he was brought in to counteract the Republic of Ireland's crude long-ball game in European championship qualify-

Taylor indicated that he would pursue a similarly direct style after the goalless draws against Denmark and France were followed by a defeat against the hosts in Sweden. He has since insisted terpreted, but yesterday he was not prepared to offer any further clarification.

Gascoigne, for one, would not relish returning to a midfield which could in future be largely bypassed. His talent would be irrelevant, but his presence in Santander is considered beneficial. Even though he is not yet fully fit, he has been invited, as long as Lazio agree, to join the party, if only to renew acquaintances. In pointing out that he has

not kicked a ball competitively for 16 months, Taylor refuted any suggestion that Gas-coigne would play any part in the match.

Taylor, who maintained a stubborn silence during a trip to Oslo last week, has evidently heeded advice to limit his

He was asked, for instance, whether he had any misgivings about Mark Wright's uncertain temperament. The fact that he is in the squad is the answer," he said. Questions about Nigel Clough, an equally controversial figure in the light of his recently publicised thoughts, elicited

no more of an expansive reply.
Writing for a Nottingham
newspaper, Clough complained justifiably that he was not employed even as a substitute during the European championship. "I can't see why he shouldn't be in the squad even though I didn't use him," Taylor said. "I planned for five games, not

People might think that we did absolutely nothing in the tunate, if that is the right word, that we were so disap-

Title sponsor ruled out

THE Football Association warned Premier League football clubs yesterday that it will block any attempts to appoint a ritle sponsor to the league. Graham Kelly, the FA's chief executive, has made it clear that any attempt to link a sponsor's name to the competition will not be sanctioned.

Chairmen of the 22 clubs will be asked by Rick Parry, the Premier League's chief London next week to support an offer from Bass, the brewers, to sponsor the league at £9

million a year. Kelly said in a statement "The FA has serious reservations about the mooted titled sponsorship of the FA Premier League. Like the FA Cup, we feel the integrity and name of the FA Premier League should be sacrosanci."

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or coupon and we will walk



pointing in the second half against Sweden." In that case, the memory of the ignominiously negative display against France has conveniently been

of promoting youngsters such as James, McManaman, Awford and Bart-Williams, Taylor is keeping such potential key players of the future in the shadows. At least all four are in the under-21 party travelling to

Some of those to be taken to remain in the limelight. Why, for example, take Seaman and Dixon? Both have been shown to be as deficient as Adams. Apart from the two new boys. Ian Wright and Deane are the only comparatively fresh faces.

Neither has started an international since being naired against New Zealand on tour 15 months ago. Other than formally appointing Pearce to succeed Lineker as captain, little has changed. "It is important that confi-

17 years as manager of Not-

dence is not undermined," Taylor said. Now that he has reassured the members of his squad, will they in turn reassure the public on Wednesday? To use the England manager's own phrase, wait

United), A Shearer (Blackburn Rovers), N Clough (Notingham Forest), I Wright (Areenal), B Deene (Sheffield United), Stand-by players: D Jernes (Liverpool), G Palliteer (Manchester United), G Thomas (Crystal Palace), P Ince (Manchester United), K Campbell (Arsenal).

United), K Campbell (Arsenal).

ENGLAND UNDER-21 (v Spein, Burgos, September 6): I Walker (Tottenham), D Watson (Bernsley); M Jackson (Everton), S Mintor (Charton), A Wright (Blacksourn Rovers), U Enlogu (Aston Ville), P Whelam (Ipswich), A Auford (Potsmouth), I Hendon (Totenham), S Froggett (Aston Ville), C Barl-Williams (Sheffield Wecheeday), S Harkness (Liverpool), L Clark (Newcastle), H Parlour (Arsenal), S Hosens (Newcastle), S Mathematism (Liverpool), A Cole (Bretal Chy), M Sheron (Manchester Chy), D Anderton (Tottenham), N Barmity (Totenham) Stand-by; G Livingstone (Aston Ville); B Sand (Aston Ville), R Hall (Southernpton), D Sutch

Saunders agrees a move to Villa

ASTON Villa will today continue with what their manager Ron Atkinson describes as "protracted negotiations" to sign Dean Saunders from Liverpool for a fee in the region of £2.5 million, a club record (Dennis Shaw writes) A disappointed Atkinson yesterday, as he had hoped. having reached agreement in principle with both Graeme

Souness, the Liverpool manager, and Saunders. A board meeting was hastily convened at Villa Park and Doug Ellis, the club chairman, discussed with colleagues a purchase that would take their manager's total turnover in 14 months to a remarkable £20 million. That figure would divide almost

equally in terms of sales and

purchases. Liverpool were be-

lieved to be unhappy at Villa wishing to negotiate further and were said to be ready to call the deal off.

"A formal offer has been made and it is a question of putting the whole package into place," Atkinson said. Should the deal go through,

Saunders, once given a free transfer by Swansea, would amount to almost £6.5 million, which would be a record for a player moving between British clubs.

Saunders, 28, a Wales international, scored 23 goals for Liverpool last season, ten in the first division. If he moves to Villa Park, he will join two other former Liverpool players on the staff in Steve Staunton and Ray Houghton, the Republic of Ireland internationals.

Confidence up but Hick asks for no favours

By Alan Lee, cricket correspondent

far from straightforward task awaits the England cricket selectors when they gather on Friday to consider the winter tour teams, but one name above all will give rise to the full range of perplexed expressions.

The drum roll for Graeme Hick's arrival in Test cricket iasted a long time, but not long enough for him to live up to it. Now, the mood has changed, and his England appearances are greeted by a different sort of anticipation, that of the vultures longing to pick over the

After 11 Tests, Hick averages 18. Contrast this with a series of devastating innings in one-day internationals, or with 67 first-class centuries at a striking rate of better than one every six innings. Will the real Graeme Hick stand up? Or, as his detractors claim with increasing bile, has be already done so?

ick is understandably weary of hav-ing his technique and his psyche dissected each time be plays and fails. His reaction has been, superficially, to withdraw from media life. His charisma always did stem more from his batting rather than his bland, affable personality but, the longer his Test trials have continued, the less has been heard from him.

Yesterday, after his usual lengthy net, Hick finally unburdened himself. He sat gazing out over the New Road ground, where he has made so many of those centuries and was about to add another, and gave his version of the problems which beset him and the attention which magnifies

"People misread me," he become some sort of recluse, that I am hiding from things. They can't know me. I am quite a sensitive bloke and things which are said or written do get to me, but I have enjoyed this season much more than last. In the dressing-room, I am the same as I have always been.

"When I started with England, I was doing everything I had always wanted to do. I expected a lot of myself and others expected a great deal of me. When it didn't happen, it got too much, and there were nights when I would go home and sit



year, partly because I have had other things to think about. My wife is expecting our first child any day now and we have a new house with a garden I am trying to knock into shape. It helps to have a few distractions Hick does not attempt to paper over the cracks of his

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hour, just brooding. "I have not worried so much this

Test record, but neither does he confess to the technical deficiencies of which he is accused, "It is too simplistic to say I can't play fast bowling. I know it didn't kook good at times against the West Indies, but there were a lot of factors conspiring together. All I can say is I have never had any worries

"I work at my batting constantly and still talk reg-ularly to my old coach, Basil D'Oliveira. There is still work to do, but I don't have to practise against shorttched stuff in the nets - I know I'll get all the practice I need as soon as I get in the

This flash of humour is soon replaced by Hick's natural, down-to-carth realism. There is no assumed air of privilege about him, and he is far from being a dressing-room whinger, yet it is clear that he feels his steady decline in the England batting order this year did him no favours.

"I have no case to complain because I had not made runs at three, but for anyone to say I cannot bat there is the biggest load of rubbish I have heard. I have made all my centuries batting at three or four. It is a different game going in

lower. When Hick twice took the Pakistani bowlers apart in last week's Texaco Trophy heard to murmur: "He's a destroyer." Yesterday, Hick declined to overplay the significance of his innings. but neither did he dismiss them. "Only one-day crick-et," he said, before adding. "but it was satisfying and it did a lot for my confidence." Hick knows that those

runs were timely. He knows, as the selectors do, that a dilemma exists within the planning of the tour party and that he is perhaps the one most likely to suffer for

7 ith his athleticism ith ms aureus in the field, the phenomenal fitness which earned him the nickname "Arnie", under-used bowling and his patently untapped batting potential, Hick would certainly be in my touring squad. But already, you sense, he is hardening his

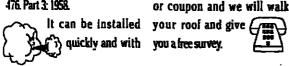
"I want to go on tour, but I am not expecting it. Nobody has that right. And another thing if I go, I want it to be on merit. In two or three years' time, if I have begun to do well at the top level, I don't want anyone to say it is because I was done a few favours along the way."

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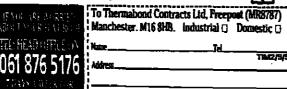
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tingham Forest, faced up yesterday to the prospect of hitting rock bottom this weekend (Chris Moore writes).

Four successive defeats since the opening-day victory over Liverpool have left Forest third-from-bottom with the worst defensive record in the Premier League. If they lose at Blackburn Rovers on Saturday, Clough could find himself on the floor of the table for the first time. But he insisted yesterday there was no cause for partic in the aftermath of Monday night's 3-1 defeat at

"People are pointing to the fact that we have lost our last four games, but there is at least

Clough looking up from the bottom one person who is not downhearted and that's me," he

> genuinely felt that we could have won at Carrow Road. I was pleased with our general level of performance. There was a lot of satisfaction to be had from it but we are conceding some daft goals at the moment and that has got to stop. But we will stick at it until we get it right, and that's just what we'll do."

Forest's problems stem from the loss during the summer of last season's two first-choice central defenders. Des Walker, to Sampdoria in Italy, and Darren Wassall, to Derby

Clough has also been frustrated in his attempts to find a replacement for Teddy Sheringham, last season's top scorer, who was sold to Tottenham Hotspur last week for £2.1 million. But most worrying for the Forest manager is his apparent growing rift with Stuart Pearce, who was named yesterday as the new

captain of England. Pearce has been refused an improved contract which he requested last month. He has pointed out to Clough that he earns considerably less than many of his fellow England internationals, and is now carrying a greater load at the City Ground following Walker's departure.

But Clough was unimpressed and refused point blank to consider any new deal, not least because Forest are struggling to make an

cling world championship gold medal hopes almost

0.352 seconds of him.

It was the second shock of

the championship semi-finals

on the 250-metres event track

specially built for the series.

Francis Moreau, last year's champion, fell victim to Mike

McCarthy, the American, thus

making impossible a repeat of

the 1991 final in which he

beat Wallace. The Frenchman

was also denied the bronze

medal, now awarded to the

line the conditions were quite

When Wallace went to the

fastest losing semi-finalist.

ted and Liverpool are understood to be keeping a close eye on developments. Luton, seeking their first win of the season at Newcastle United tonight, will be with-

led to Pearce being linked with

a move to Premier League

rivals. Both Manchester Uni-

out Ceri Hughes and Chris Kamara. Both midfield players are ruled out for at least three weeks. Kamara has a back injury

which kept him out of Saturday's goalless draw with Charlton and Hughes damaged an ankle ligament in training and has been told he may not play again for a month. Luton draft Scott Oakes and Aaron Skelton, a youth player, into their squad.

Du Preez sent home Wallace is forced to brink of defeat for staying too long By PETER BRYAN IN VALENCIA

BY CHRISTOPHER IRVINE

BRISTOL rugby union club's new South African stand-off half, Francois du Preez, formerly of Eastern Transvaal, was deported yesterday on the grounds that he had failed to obtain a work permit to live

Du Preez, 24, arrived at Bristol only last week and was due to make his debut against Devon on Sunday. The Home Office insisted yesterday: the player return home to Johannesburg, in spite of appeals by both the club and the Rugby Football Union.

Bristol saw du Preez as the answer to their goal-kicking problem of last season. He has spent the past week in close sion with Dave Alred, the club's kicking coach, but came under scrutiny by immigration officials, who found he

had no work permit.

Du Preez had apparently exceeded the time limit of six months visitors from South Africa can live here without a permit. Bristol are hoping that the problem is a technicality and that the player can return soon. "He has to apply for a permit and we have to find him a job." Bill Redwood, the

club chairman, said He was invited last season by the coach, Rob Cunningham, during a spell with the Berkshire club, Bracknell. Du Preez hoped that by playing with Bristol he could force his way back into the South

African national squad. Last night, a Home Office spokesman said: "If he wanted to stay any longer, he would have to take employment and would need a work permit." still and some 10 degrees

cooler than for the previous two rounds, and he was quickly out of the starting gate to

SHAUN Wallace saw his cytake an immediate lea Wallace, riding his onepiece, carbon-fibre Lotus Sport evaporate in the semi-final of frame, was one and a half seconds to the good as he flashed the 5,000 metres national through the one kilometre mark and although slightly pursuit here last night when Arturas Kasputin, of Lithuaslower than his quarter-final nia, found a second wind from ride, he still looked somewhere in the last kilometre to draw within comfortable.

His advantage increased at 2km, reached in two minutes 20.758 seconds, with Kasputis 1.59 seconds in arrears.

From that point, Wallace failed to make any further gains and found himself los-ing time to his rival, albeit in terms of hundredths of a second. But it almost to lose him the race. Kasputis, a team pursuit gold medal winner in Seoul, kept up the pressure and Wallace found difficulty in responding. With 250 metres remaining there was less

two riders.

Hick: frustrated

Somehow Wallace held out to reach the championship final for the second successive year. He realises, of course, that his opponent, McCarthy, is now demonstrating superior form to late last month when the two were training together in Colorado Springs.

Wallace had succeeded in his quarter-final on Monday with a time of 5min 45.333sec when he eliminated the Dutchman, Peter Pieters. Moreau had come in third, trailing more than three seconds

The Louis bike, an aerodynamically designed machine with a carbon-fibre frame. gained wide coverage in the Barcelona Olympics when Chris Boardman, the amateur, rode it to Britain's first cycling gold medal in 72

The bike is produced by Lotus Engineering, based in

than half a second between the Norwich and better known for its sports cars and racing teams. Chris Burrows, the designer, maintains the bike offers a rider an advantage of

about ten seconds over the 5km distance. Wallace turned consistently slower times on the bike than Boardman, who set the world's fastest time 5:38.083 on August 22 in Leicester. Wallace attributed his slower times to the new track in Valencia, windy conditions and his relative inexpe-

rience on the cycle. Boardman's Olympic time of 4min 24.496sec in the second round of the 4,000m s pursuit in Barcelona was yesterday accepted as a world record when amateur cycling's governing body decided that. in future, records no longer need to be set with only one

rider on the track.

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WEDNESDAY SEPTEMBER 2 1992

Pictures from Somalia and the former Yugoslavia may make people want to go and help, but what is life like for those who do? Two aid workers describe a typical day at the front line

Between the guns and the gratitude

Leesa Hellings, 30, is a relief worker for Save The Children and has spent the last five months in Mogadishu, Somalia. She is a qualified RGN (registered general

nurse) and works with her boyfriend, also a qualified nurse,

in the Save the Children emergency feeding centres near

wake up at seven o'clock every morning in the compound that I share with eight other Save the Children relief workers. It is about ten minutes away from the international airport and there are two houses and an office. it is quite luxurious compared to the old house we moved out of last month. That had been bombed several times and the walls were crumbling.

One evening while I was sitting reading a book a bullet came through the window and only just place there were always arguments. fights and people getting killed and we couldn't leave the building

without an escort. Now we live further away from the centre. It is safer. You still can't walk in the streets and we have to have an armed driver but we can go to the store near the back of the compound and we have four armed guards surrounding the buildings paid for by the charity.

When I went for my interview for the job they told me about the working conditions but it doesn't sink in until you get here. I'd never seen such large guns and everyone is armed. The first time I heard shots I jumped out of my skin but now I hardly notice the continuous gunfire. We call it Mogadishu

For breakfast I will have a cup of coffee and some toast if the generator is working or some grapefruit or mango, the only plentiful food here. We all dress in typical ex-pat wear: T-shirts, baggy trousers, flipflops or trainers. You can't buy clothes here so my kit is quite unsavoury now. Then everyone goes down to the office and works out where they are going, which driver and guide they will take and

what provisions they will need. I am the leader of the feeding team. I have to go to all our 18 feeding centres. We have three walk and need feeding four times

The supplementary feeding centres where the children are less than 80 per cent of their correct weight are only slightly more cheerful places. Bones are sticking out everywhere and they are still in great danger. Those that survive in these centres tend to move into our third centres which are health clinics for less severe

coming here.

My centres are all in Mogadishu or within a 20-minute drive. I do little hands-on nursing. Most of that is done by the Somali supervisors and local staff. They came from the Ministry of Health. They tell me what their problems are and I will see the worst cases and try to make a diagnosis. I speak very little Somali but they are trying to learn English and are wonderful. They have thousands of children to look after and tons of food to distribute but they never complain.

In the therapeutic centres our supplies, space and time are limited and it has been decided that we can only give aid to children under five.

types of centre. The therapeutic eeding centres, where children are less than 70 per cent of the correct weight for their height, is the most distressing and requires most time. They are so thin they cannot

It was a real shock the first time I saw the centres. I had worked in children's wards in Britain and Romania but I had never been in a famine before. The situation rapiddeteriorated and children kept dying. I never got used to the sight but I accept it now and the situation is stabilising as more aid agencies age to get into the countryside and stem the tide of refugees

They are also very honest. When food gets looted it is at the depots. Rebels come in the afternoon and gun a hole in the wall. We never know who they are but we manage to keep most of it and we send it out every three days. We are lucky because our supplies are Unimix, a mixture of maize and beans, and dried milk which are not highly prized. Two bowls of Unimix are given to children every day and this provides them with 900 calories, enough to survive.



"It doesn't sink in until you get here": a baby on a drip feed at a clinic in north Mogadishu

supervisors to decide who they let in. Often a ten-year-old child will be in just as dire need.

My other role is to teach the Somali workers how to diagnose simple illnesses and naso-gastric feeding - putting a tube via their nose into their stomach - because many are too weak to drink.

We all come home at one o'clock to do the paperwork and have a meal. Our cook makes us spaghetti and risotto as well as Somali dishes. goat being our least favourite. We have very little fresh food — only a few tomatoes and lettuces - and the rest is tinned supplies. When I came out here I was violently ill and had to go back to Nairobi. I returned but had vomiting and diarrhoea for three months and I

have lost a lot of weight.

Disease is everywhere but it is hard to distinguish from malnutrition and children often die from a combination. Last month we had a lot of flies and rain and the death rate shot up. Most of the workers catch something. One nurse got hepatitis and we had to give her an IV infusion to save her.

In the afternoon our work is more difficult. This is when the fighting and looting takes place in

It is a terrible decision to have to the surrounding countryside so we pound which is handy because my ake and I usually leave it up to the have to confine our visits to nearby centres. Last week two of my centres were in areas of fighting and were pillaged. They took everything from cups to shelter-homes and medicines. You can't go crying to someone saying my centre has just been wrecked because there is no one to run to — there are no rules and no government. When the rebels came the children fled. The nurses tried to save the medicines but were told they would be shot if

> I have to be home before it starts getting dark. We get back by about five o'clock. We can't go out, although occasionally we will take a guard and armoured car and go for a drink at another aid worker's house. Usually we will sit down and talk about any difficulties or do the paperwork or read. Boredom is a big problem. We get Fridays off but we usually end up working.

e hardly ever talk about politics. My driver discusses it though and tries to keep me abreast of all the different factions. There are so many no one knows who is fighting who. Once a month we phone home from a satellite telephone in our comthe newspapers and gets quite frightened.

I only have two weeks of my contract left and then I will go home to Bolton. The job is incredibly stressful and I will need at least a month to recuperate before deciding if I want to come back. The depression is the worst thing you have to fight. The week I learnt my two centres had been ransacked I felt I was achieving nothing and children were dying all around me. It is hard watching a child die. But some weeks when I am discharging children I feel elated. They all clap and shake your hands. They are so immensely grateful and everyone is

We are in bed by nine o'clock. The beds are made out of cardboard but quite comfortable and I am usually so exhausted that I do not remember my dreams and ● Interview by Alice Thomson

TOMORROW

Is television replacing live theatre as the main forum for playwrights?

Keeping the blood flowing

'I have

muscles like

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working for the International

Committee of the Red Cross

(ICRC) in Zagreb, in the former Yugoslavia. She comes from

Wiltshire and lives in London, and when not working overseas

works with accident and emergency trauma patients and

in intensive care at King's College Hospital. She is a veteran of a number of wars

esterday I had to get up at 4.30am to go to the medical warehouse to pack tetanus vaccines. They have to be kept cool so have to be done at the last minute. I also had to load baby powder, blood

and intravenous fluids. We have 20-tonne lorries which is a hell of a lot of individual medicines and 1 sure the boxes are all labelled correctly. I have to help load, extremely carefully. and it's very hot - 35C. 1 have muscles like Popeye through lugging things

forwards. south to Banja Luka and were supposed to leave at 6am but were told there was no police clearance for us, there was some muddle with another convoy, so we didn't set off until quarter to seven. There were three huge

driving my little Landcruiser. You have to be ready to change your plans. Yesterday a Muslim woman who had just given birth had to be evacuated so I drove her and her two-dayold son. Mustapha, back to Zagreb. Her husband worked there and they were very worried about her. They have very strict may move out of Bosnia but a family reunion" can be a reason to get someone through. The baby behaved very well and at the checkpoints the UN guards, Jordanians and Nepalese, had a good look and all cooed over

Red Cross Land-Rovers and me

Our first stop was Bosanska Gradiska where they have had an influx of wounded. We take them cigarettes because they cost & for a small packet and are difficult to get. Because it is an occupied place they are not giving them any electricity or water so there has been an increase in diarrhoea. The water they have is stagnant and they asked if I can get them chlorine. We did a survey of how many wounded they have, if rocket attacks had damaged the infrastructure and they told us of other things they would like. They are now looking after people in the prison camps so there are extra demands.

This is a First World country where they do the same surgery as we do at home. They have plenty of university-trained doctors and nurses. What they need are medicines and they are getting more and more desperate because they are now doing war surgery on top of what they usually do. They are having to recycle things which they would normally throw away which is more difficult for medical people used to the sort of standards we have in Britain.

At Banja Luka hospital haematologists told me they needed blood and although people are willing to give it, they had no bags to keep it in and no serum to test which group. A, B, C and so on, the blood belongs to, so i organised that for them.

things My first mis-sion was in 1982 backwards on the Thai-Camand forwards' bodian border. then I was in Ethiopia and Su-

dan and in Kabul. Ās well as a general nurse I'm also a midwife so I'm quite useful. I have been lent to the ICRC by the British Red Cross on a five-month contract until December. They wired us from Geneva originally for a field nurse but then they realised they were desperate for someone to take charge out here so mine is an administrative post really.

have been here seven weeks now and am always terribly busy. A short day would be 12 hours. In Afghanistan where I lived in a bunker, I learned to used to think was possible, but here it is like living in London. We can go shopping in the supermarket or to buy clothes, there are no shortages.

We live in modern apartments and we can go out for a meal although usually I am so tired at the end of the day and it is very hot, so I'm not hungry.

I am not in any danger. The ICRC has a very good security record. Generally speaking they are very very careful about making sure security is the best they can do before going in.

Interview by Heather Kirby

Happy families? No, I don't want to play

n old friend of mine, newly spliced, recently invited me spinced. recently invested to dinner in his new marital home. Ordinarily I would have said yes automatically, but this time I heard myself imposing conditions. "Is it a nice house?" I asked.

"Yes, very nice." "And you and your new wife are really happy there?"

"With a nice well-organised kitchen, and a big fireplace, and a patin for barbecues, and a little room suitable for Baby?" "Yeah, sort of."

"Well, in that case the answer's

There was an awkward pause. "Did you say no?"

"That's right," I said briskly. "Not in a million years. Let's meet at Leicester Square for a pizza or something instead. Then we can eat and talk just the same, but afterwards I can come home feeling quite all right and not mysteriously depressed because your home life is so lovely. All right?"

If he was surprised by this outburst, so was I. I had no idea I felt so strongly. All I knew was that sometimes, after a delightful evening spent with perfect hosts in a full, groaning family house, 2 single person spends the next few days dumb with misery, hating

everybody, and bursting into unexpected tears during heart-warming re-runs of Flipper. I confessed my "Not in a million years" speech to a friend, who said she understood, and who mentioned that at least I had been assertive without being aggressive. Which made me bloody annoyed. "What's the point of that?" I yelled. Damn. Next time, I shall shout "Sod your fancy house with its bloody patio and its baby room, you make me sick you people." Because there are times when a sub-text simply won't do.

The alternative strategies to an outright No Thanks - though possibly better etiquette in the strict sense - are too wearisome to contemplate. For example, you can accept the invitation, and then half an hour before arrival phone up with a fabricated story about a lastminute mercy-dash ("I'm so sorry. but if I don't deliver this jar of rollmop herrings to the Foreign Office in the next hour, we could find ourselves at war with Finland!"). But is this less rude than explaining your true feelings? I think not. Worst of all, surely, is to agree to come, turn up punctually, make perfect-guest "Ooh lovely" noises at the wallpaper, and then sever your wrist quietly in their nice big kitchen while pretending to help

with the puddings.

SINGLE LIFE

Lynne Truss admits that marital bliss leaves

her feeling blue



Don't get me wrong. Things get better for single people every day. Oh yes. How cheerful to reflect, for example, that Sainsburys now sells "Single Bananas" in a special bag. But we are not the norm, despite our bananas. We are seen as something akin to the rogue animals in wildlife films, the ones that are tolerated by the herd but don't fit in, and are photographed sulk-

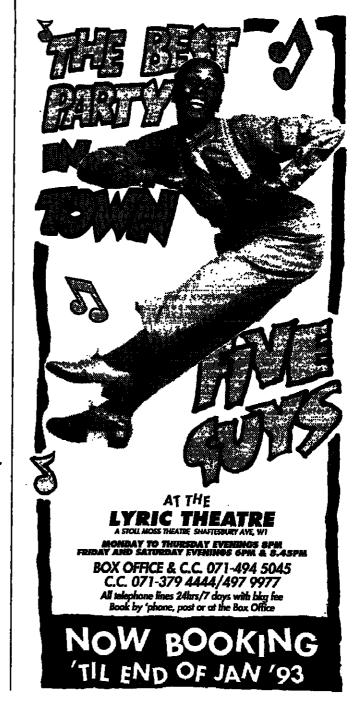
in long white grass. When lone nature. And he always finds Flip-dolphins turn up in British harper depressing. What a bind. So in bours (clearly enjoying a walloping good time eating fresh salmon and frolicking with the boats), the British public invariably feels sorry for them, and worries about finding them a suitable mate. It is the same benevolent but mistaken instinct that makes married people invite you to their new house. What nobody appreciates, of

course, is that the poor old dolphin fields invitations all day, through his ultrasonic mindwaves. "Come to dinner, we haven't seen you in ages," he hears from a happy nuclear dolphin family five miles out to sea "Bugger," thinks the dolphin, wishing he had remembered to switch on his answeringmachine. How can he say he moved five miles (and risked having to swim with New Age poets in wet-suits) just to escape all this? Treading water for a minute, he programs his super-brain to run through the available strategies. and instantly feels doubly depressed. Pizzas in Leicester Square is not a viable option for a dolphin; and the roll-mop herrings routine cuts no ice whatever in a marine

He is caught all ways actually, because he can't be assertive or ing hundreds of yards off, smuffling aggressive, since neither is in his can just get on with it.

per depressing. What a bind. So in the end, he agrees to the visit, swims miles, has a marvellous time, adores the kids, applauds the bold choice of murky green throughout. gets home late, and flops out exhausted with a smile on his face. And then, for about a week later, he mopes miserably in the water, and everyone says it must be because he misses the company of other Perhaps it is a phase you go

through this ugly envy stuff. I hope so, certainly. I know one woman who is perfectly all right most of the time, but who bursts into tears every time she gets a wedding invitation. so that we have to rush out and have a pizza at Leicester Square, where we talk bravely about single bananas. Edna Ferber said that single life, like drowning, is a delightful sensation once you cease to struggle - but is this comforting, or isn't it? The analogy isn't bad, certainly: your whole life unfolds before your eyes, and you entertain strange dreamy consoling thoughts such as "I shall never have to wash my hair again, anyway". Meanwhile, however, you can't help wishing that those nice married people on the bank would stop chucking you lifebelts, so that you



EDINBURGH FESTIVAL PETER DONOHOE: In the last of his ree concerts for the Restrial, the inist plays works by Tchaikovsky, chmaninov and Strawnsky

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Royal Lyceum Theatre, Gunday

Street. 10 30pm.

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Queen's Hall, Clerk Street, 7.30pm. Edinburgh International Festival (Box office: 031-225-5756) **EDINBURGH FRINGE**

ADVICE TO A DAUGHTER: A comedy of manners written and performed by Amanda Horlock. The play is based on two 18th-century novels, Pamela and Clarissa by Samuel Richardson, and looks at the role of women. Studio Theatre, Richard Demarco Gallery, Black mars Street, Until Sat,

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CURRENT

NEW RELEASES

TODAY'S EVENTS

A daily guide to arts and entertainment compiled by Heather Alston

ousted by the gods from heaven and travel through time and space to find alternative employment. Gilded Balloon Main Theatre, 233

Cowgate. Until Sat, 3pm **BELOW THE BELT: This play written by**

finds career women as vulnerable and "new" men as violent as their stereotypical predecessors. Rooms, Until Sat, Spm.

CONQUISTADOR OF THE USELESS: Mark Little admowledged as a comic of Australia, comes to Edmburgh as an antipodean performance artist. Music Hall, Assembly Rooms. Until STEVIE WONDER FELT MY FACE:

Louise Rennison's monologue: candid confessions about being a gate-crasher and hob-nobber in the Sixtles. The Wildman Room, Assembly THE WOMAN DESTROYED: Diane

THE WOMAN DESTROYED DIANS Quot, plays Simone de Beauvor's Munelle, alone in Paris at Christmas with no one to share the festivities with, she reveals her deepest thoughts Music Hall, Assembly Rooms, Until *THE END OF THE TUNNEL: The*

extraordinary and influential European performance theatre company. Compagnie Philippe Gaulier, gives an hilanous performance as five idiots diograp their own graves. Ballroom, Assembly Rooms, Until Sat, 5.40pm

ELSEWHERE

BBC PROMS: The distinguished Royal Concertgebouw Orchestra from Amsterdam, conducted by Riccardo Affisieruani, Connocies by micro use Chadly, perform Beethoven's Pano Concerto No 4 in G with Maria João Piras, the Portuguese planist. The 1891 Vienna versión of Brudene's Symphony No 1 in C minor completes the

Programme. Royal Albert Hall, Kensington Gore, London SW7 (071-223-9998), 7.30pm NAME: Gary Stevens's show is a rouse. Gally steeled 5 show a difference of the place, name, posture and an object. The performers change characters faster and faster, a moture of comedy and slapstot.

Purcell Room, South Bank, London, SE1 (071-928, 8800). Tompfor, tomorrow, 8om.

LONDON BUBBLE THEATRE: The tent moves to Highbury Fields in Islangton. Performances include The Good Person of Sezuan by Benoit Brecht, a play about the pitfalls of being too good in a bad world, and Shall espeare's Measure for Measure, where the principled set are against the corrupt. London Bubble Theatre, Highbury Fields, Islangton
The Good Person of Sezuan, Tonight,
tomorrow, 7 30pm and Sun, 3.30pm.
Measure for Measure, Fri, Sat, 7.30pm

THEATRE GUIDE

Jeremy Kingston's assessment of theatre showing in London House full, returns only Some seats available
Seats at all prices

comedy, set in an Edwardian fashion

riouse Lyric, King Street, Hammersmith, W6 (081-741 2311). Opens tonight, 7pm. Then Mon-Sat 7.30pm. Mats Wed and Sat 2 30pm A MIDSLIMMER NIGHT'S DREAM: ian Talbor's jolly production, full of rough and tumble and evergreen comedy Dinsdale Landen plays Bottom

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Murphy in the title role of Adnan
Noble's driving trilogy, first seen last
year at Stratford. With Linda Markowe
and John Shrapnel
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Oedipus Tyrannos and complete trilogy
preview tomorrow, 4-30pm. THILADELPHIA, HERE I COME!

anan mer's anecorate comedy of an insh emigrant and his carping alter ego. A revival to be cherished Wyndham's, Channg Cross Road, WC2 (071-867 1116) Mon-Fn, 8pm, Sut, 8 15pm, mats Wed, 3pm, Sat, Spm, 140mms. DPYGMALION: Alan Howard, Frances Barber in a Howard Davies production that some admire greatly while others feel subordinates the text

to a dever deagn. National (OBvier), South Bank, SE1

(071-928 2252). Torught-Sat, 7.15pm, mats tomorrow, 2pm, Sat, 2pm. SHADES: Pautine Collins torn between her child, mum and mantinend in Sharman Macdonald's disappointing new play; only sporadically absorbing. Albery, St Martin's Lane, WC2 (071-867 1115). Mon-Sat, 8pm, mats Thurs, 3pm, Sat, 4pm. 120mms. SIX DEGREES OF SEPARATION: Stockard Channing as the rich New Yorker transligured by a black con

artet in John Guare's fine play on human inter-dependence. Comody, Panton Street, SW1 (071-867 1045), Mon-Sat, Bpm, mats Wed, 3pm and Sat, 4pm, 90mars. THE SOUND OF MUSIC Nurs. Nazs, squeaky-clean tots and drops of golden sun, a sweet holiday from the real world. With Liz Robertson and Christopher Cazenove. Christopher Cazenove. Sadler's Wells, Rosebery Avenue, EC1 (071-278 8916) Tues-Sat, 7-30pm, mats Tues, Thurs, Sat, 2-30pm. 165mms. Läst week

WHEN THE PAST IS STILL TO COME: Tom Kempirski's new two-hander: a psycho-analyst and his patient. John Castle and Ron Wood patient John Castle and Ron wade into the unconscious, Finborough, 118 Finborough Road, Earls Court, SW10 (071-373 3842). Previews from tonight, 8pm. Opens Sept 8, 7pm. Mon-Sat 8pm. A WOMAN OF NO IMPORTANCE: Findip Prowse's triumphant RSC production, John Carlisle as a callous production, term Carrise & a capous anstocrat in White's social melodrama locid with wit and Carol Royle. Theatre Royal, Haymarket, SW1 (071-930 8800), Mon-Sat, 7 30pm, mass Wed, Sat, 2 30pm, 165mins. mats Wed, Sat, 2 30pm. 165mins.
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(071-494 5070). ☐ An Evening
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339 5971). ■ Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat: Paladium (071-494 5037). □ Me and My Girk Adelphi (071-836 7611). ■ Les Miskrables: Place (071-434 9909). □ Miss Saigon: Theatre Royal, Druy Lane (071-494 5400). □ The Mousetrap: St Alarm's (071-636 14431. ■ The Mousetrap: St Alarm's of the Chemistra Like Mousetrap: Phanton of the Opens Her Majesty's 1071-494 5400). ☐ Return to the Forbidden Planet Cambridge (071-379 5299). ☑ Starlight Express: Apollo Victoria (071-322 8665) ☐ The Woman in Black: Fortune 1071-525 30-729. (071-536 2038). Ticket information supplied by SWE)

CINEMA GUIDE

Geoff Brown's assessment of films in London and (where indicated with the symbol ◆)

 BELLE DE JOUR (18): Buffuel's 1967 dasse about the adventurous libido of a bourgeois wife. Cool and compelling in a sparking new prof.
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THE BUTCHER'S WIPE (12) Arch whimsy about a New York butcher's danopyant wrife (Dern Moor's), partly salvaged by borph lines and a genal cast. Int Daniels, Mory Steenburgen Director, Terry Hughes. MGM Trocadero (871-434 0031)

CASABLANCA (U): The 50th amosphere Bogart Ingrid Bergmar Paul Herrord, Claude Rams, director, Michael Curtiz. Plaza (071-497 9999)

THE DISCREET CHARM OF THE BOURGEOISE (15) Six meth-heeled frients in search of an uninterrupted musi. Buritel s marvellously amaging 1972 Satire, resided with 5% other him: by the master of screen surrealists. Renois (071-937 8402) ir (071-337 8402)

IERSEY GIRL (15): Conderella from New Jersey trus, for a Manhattan Prince Charming Stale romantic comedy with a few bright moments, James Gertz, Oylan McDermott, director, David Button Monr. Plaza (071-197 9399).

◆ LETHAL WEAPON 3 (15)* Rousing comody and mayhem with L.A. cops Ruggs and Murtaugh Mel Gibson, Danner Glaver, lea Byte depotes.

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LOVERS (18); in Franço's Spam, Victoria Abril derails her lodger's Victora admit deaths for moder's intended marriage. Excellent tale of mad love, expertly mounted by director Vicente Aranda MKGM Piccodilly (071-437 3561) Screen on the Hill (071-435 3366)

◆ MY OWN PRIVATE IDAHO (18) MY TOWN HOW THE IDENT OF 18Y GUS VAN Sant's quirtly portrait of two drifters searching for a place to call home: strilling and aggravating by turns. With River Froeno, Kearun Reves MGM Swiss Centre (071–439 4470) THE PLAYER (15), Deading sabre on Hollywood, directed by Robert Albrian from Michael Tollion's novel, Tim Robbins taxes the studio executive who

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Teen spirit, somewhat dampened

Nirvana and others Reading Festival

FOR the career festival-goer, the three-day event at Reading is a crucial annual fixture. Not only is it the longest established rock festival, it is the final one of the season. As such, it affords that last, lingering contact with the soil before the tent goes into cold storage until next summer.

But punters hoping to recreate the freewheeling atmosphere of such gatherings as Glastonbury and Castlemorton must have been disappointed last weekend. The Reading Festival, now in its 20th year, is a business and it shows. The whole affair ran so smoothly that some experts claimed it was not a true festival at all.

Admittedly, its efficiency and punctuality contrasted strikingly with the confusion characteristic of most festivals. However, there was still enough unpleasantness to reassure sceptics that this was the real thing: al fresco sanitary facilities, greasy fast food, acres of mud. Sunday's gale should have dispelled remaining doubts.

The 40,000 customers coped with equanimity. Most were polite teen-agers, tasting the discomforts of camping for the first time. The few New Age travellers who had the £55 admission charge kept a low profile. There was more danger of frostbite than of aggro from Ecstasy-addled ravers.

For all its relative slickness, Reading did not address the problem common to festivals: can live rock ever sound convincing in daylight? It cannot. Even performers of the force of The Rollins Band, the indie guitar stars, are diminished by playing at three in the afternoon. Despite this, their ferociously Angst-ful set was one of Saturday's highlights, and certainly more interesting than the sub-heavy metal of The Smashing Pumpkins. The acclaimed Chicago group made a couple of detours into melodic psychedelia, but not often enough to keep the mind off the idea of hot coffee and dry clothes.

The "New Glam" movement was represented by Manic Street Preachers

IN ITS 40th anniversary season, the

BBC Concert Orchestra has surely

never sounded better than in last

Friday's Prom under its principal

conductor Barry Wordsworth. It was a

Spanish-flavoured night and Words-

worth, adopting alternately the roles of

toreador and sultry Latin lover, drew

marvellous playing from his orchestra.

Granados's operatic version of "The

Maiden and the Nightingale" from the Goyescas, where the orchestra provided a sensual backdrop to Judith

Howarth's equally ravishing solo line.

in Falla's evocative Nights in the

Gardens of Spain, too, they conjured a

shimmering Iberian evening, against which Kathryn Stott's steely-fingered

The more bullish aspect was evident

in Wordsworth's rousing, crisply des-

patched accounts of Rimsky-Korsa-

kov's Capriccio espagnol and Ravel's

Bolero, as well as the very English

Christopher Columbus suite by Wil-

liam Walton. This was a resurrection

by Christopher Palmer of incidental

music for a radio play celebrating the

450th Columbus anniversary in 1942.

It has hardly been given since, and this

exuberant, festive performance made a

good case for the occasional rehearing.

Friday, when John Adams conducted

the ever-responsive London Sinfoni-

etta in three of his pieces. Eros Piano.

full of seductive sounds redolent of

Debussy and even Gershwin (Paul

Crossley was the engaging piano

soloist), never suggested the chugging

minimalist idiom of, say, Nixon in

Ching. But amends were made in

Shaker Loops which, for all its aural

conjuring tricks, lacked the timbral

variety that makes Adams's brand of

minimalism something more than a

More characteristic was Grand Pia-

nola Music, in which eddies of

iridescent colour swirl, coalesce and

recede in constantly diverting fashion.

There is more to this than meets the

tedious Reich mantra.

There was more eroticism later on

pianism stood out sharply.

The latter role came to the fore in

Lackadaisical attitude: a be-wigged Kurt Cobain, the lead singer of Sunday's Reading headliners, Nirvana

less impressive than their crowdside manner. "You lot really stink," the guitarist remarked, to hysterical cheers. Suede are The Smiths with a cockney accent, and singer Brett Anderson is a preening creature who seems destined for big things. Their songs might benefit from stronger hooks, but Suede are onto something.

Saturday closed with the polished hip-hop of Public Enemy. That a group of their power has not achieved superstardom lends credit to their incessant accusations of racism.

Sunday was dominated by anticipation of Nirvana's headlining set. Freezing rain confined many revellers to their tents for the afternoon; those

and the wildly-touted Suede. The who ventured out looked justifiably Preachers' dinsome guitar pop proved virtuous. They were rewarded by fine support slots from L7 and Nick Cave. The former, feisty exponents of Los Angeles "babe core" (girls doing heavy metal), were pelied with mud for their pains. Melodramatic Blues groaner Cave was admirably suited to the windwhipped setting. They liked him.

On, damply, to Nirvana. This Seattle band is credited with making heavy metal not just respectable but downright fashionable. Their revival of the Seventies power-trio format has changed the course of Nineties rock music. Could they live up to such auspicious notices?

They did not really try. Vocalist Kurt Cobain lackadaisically announced: "This is our last show...till the next

one." They ambled through their two albums, doing what had to be done.
Tinny sound and palpable ennui
defused the gritty impact of the
Nevermind and Bleach LPs. The begrimed, fuzz-toned noise that inspired the coinage "Grungy" was present in fact but not spirit.

Mud lapped around the audience's ankles. Impromptu bonfires cast hellish shadows. The people huddled around them had the pinched look of extras in Apocalypse Now. The devastated field looked like a Cold War propaganda film depicting the dangers of communist invasion. It was an excellent argument for a law requiring live rock to have a roof over its head.

CAROLINE SULLIVAN

PROMS: ALBERT HALL/RADIO 3

Nearly-new bargains at the bring-and-buy

eye, though. Reminiscences of high points of the Classical tradition (bravura Beethovenian arpeggios), as well as allusions to Reich, Glass and Riley, give the work a cutting ironic edge that forces one to regard its dominating

gesture — a Big Tune of truly stupendous kitsch — in a new light. More Gershwin in an unexpected context was to be heard the following evening from the BBC Welsh Symphony Orchestra under Tadaaki Otaka. The playful lip glissandi of the solo clarinet in Takemitsu's Fantasma/Cantos (a BBC commission) imperceptibly turned into the opening phrases of Rhapsody in Blue - an odd

has no goal, no dramatic momentum, only passing moments of tension. For the most part, though, the textures are of exquisitely crafted filigree work, and the American clarinet player for whom it was written, Richard Stoltzman, was easily the master of both its sotto voce murmurings and its wonderfully ex-

allusion in so refined a score. The piece

pressive cantilena, soaring and dip-ping like an exotic bird in Takemitsu's favourite Japanese landscape garden. For the second time this week, an outstanding young Continental pianist kicked some new life into an old warhorse. This time it was Rachmaninov's Third Piano Concerto and the Frenchman Jean-Yves Thibaudet, whose superbly nuanced phrasing and keenly balanced tonal gradations proclaimed star quality no less than the effortless bravura with which he despatched the

virtuoso passages. BARRY MILLINGTON



Mike Westbrook arrangements of Rossini that took time to gell

YO, HENRY! When the sparky, undergrad-style big band Loose Tubes played a late-night Prom at the Albert Hall five years ago, the bust of Sir Henry Wood was seen wearing a colourful t-shirt. Whereas on Sunday at Big Band Rossini, Mike Westbrook's off-beat performance of jazz-opera, the great man was hidden behind ultra-

cool sunglasses. A set of earplugs might have been a good idea as well, since this concert — a celebration of the 200th anniversary of Rossini's birth — was certainly not a night for traditionalists. For the first hour even some of Westbrook's own followers must have found the bulky arrangements and the over-extended

solaing difficult to digest. Anyone casually tuning in to Radio 3 will, I suspect, have switched off well before the interval. A pity if they did, because the second half was truly memorable, all the elements of jazz, opera and folk music falling suddenly

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triumphantly into place. The Rossini project has been around in various guises for about eight years. The original version - seven-piece street band arrangements from William Tell - was composed for a festival in Lausanne. Three years later came the first attempt at a full big-band treatment, written for the North German Radio jazz orchestra. Westbrook has been forced to look to the Continent for most of his commissions. Perhaps now his fortunes will change.

At first it seemed as if he had overreached himself. The original melodies still sparkled, but many of the linking passages and the attempts at pastiche were ponderous. Heavy-handed humour was reminiscent of Westbrook's unhappy burlesque of the Beatles' Abbey Road album. "Factorum al Bebop", a helter-skelter re-working of Figaro's aria in The Barber of Seville was lifted by an impassioned saxophone solo from the excellent Alan Barnes, yet the rest of the orchestra sounded decidedly unfocused.

The entrance of Westbrook's wife, Kate, to sing a surreal rendering of the ballad "Lindoro" was the first sign that the evening was going to bear fruit. In a gangster-ish white suit, she trilled and growled her way through the parts of Almaviva, Rosina and Figaro. After the interval she serenaded the vibraphonist Anthony Kerr in "Once Upon A Time" from La Cenerentola.

By this time Westbook was using the orchestra more sparingly and to far greater effect, returning in a sense to the mood of a street band. A sensuous tango, underpinned by Frank Schaeffer's mournful cello and Karen Street's accordion, led into Kate Westbrook's lament on "Willow Song". After the dramatic collapse into incoherent shrieks, order was restored with the stately "Hymn to Liberty" before the finale from the William Tell overture prompted the Promenaders to a bout of knee-bends.

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> BENEDICT **NIGHTINGALE**

Chocolate soldiers, fast **Lerners and Shaw things**

George Bernard Shaw never knowingly sanctioned any musical versions of his plays. Benny Green is bringing his own second such effort into the West End

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utting George Bernard Shaw to music is a daunting business, for the most predictable of reasons. Each time you excise a line and replace it with one of your own. each time you contrive a couplet or a musical phrase to express the thought, each action you take is inhibited by the certifude that GBS's brooding spirit is peering over your shoulder, cursing every syllable and every note.

MAY MINIMARE

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Throughout his life Shaw was adamant on this point, insisting with every justification that his plays contained their own music and needed no further embellishment. Just possibly Mozart might have been trusted with some of the lesser plays, but his policy remained unchanged. No musical versions of his works. Why, then, have people always fallen over themselves to perform the trick?

The fault is Shaw's own. More than once he described how he wrote his dialogue as though composing an opera, with solo arias followed by duets, trios, chorus passages and all the rest. By claiming as much, he seemed to be inviting posterity to fill in the missing melodies. But the world had to wait until death removed him from the scene and left his affairs in the hands of the Society of Authors. As it is the Society's duty to generate as much income as possible for the estate, its attitude has been very different from Shaw's. Even so, in more than 40 years since Shaw's death the attempts to

musicalise his plays have been few. Shaw's refusal to countenance any such thing is generally per-

unfortunate experience at the hands of a Viennese operetta composer called Oscar Straus, whose dream it was to write a musical version of Arms and the Man. Through a misunderstanding between Shaw and his German translator, Siegfried Trebitsch, Straus was granted permission, wrote The Chocolate Soldier and made his fortune, much to the dismay of Shaw, who refused to accept any royalties.

In withholding permission for Straus's travesty to be filmed, Shaw said: "It has

done me quite already without that climax of injury." And when in 1921 Franz Lehár requested permission to put Pygmalion to music, Shaw explained his refusal with:

will I face the loss and disgrace the thrice accursed Chocolate Soldier brought upon me."

It does seem likely, however, that Shaw had begun to turn away from musical comedy as early as the 1890s, when his duties as drama critic for The Saturday Review exposed him to all sorts of musical flim-flam week by week, and convinced him that a coherent, intelligent musical was a contradiction in terms. The most remarkable proof of this prejudice is found in his reaction to an Alfred Cellier operetta. Dorothy, which Shaw reviewed in Greenwich. By the time Shaw

saw it. Dorothy had run for nearly 800 performances, which inspired him to write of its hero: "The tenor, originally, I have no doubt, a fine young man, but now cherubically adipose, was evidently counting the days until death should release him from his part."

Of the leading lady he wrote that she sang without the slightest effort and without the slightest point". As for the canine members of the cast, Shaw reserved for them his deadliest arrows: "The pack of hounds darted in at the end of the

second act evidently full of the 'GBS's spirit is mad hope of finding some-thing new gopeering over your their depresshoulder, cursing sion, when they discovered it was Dorothy again, was piti-able. The able. The S.P.C.A. should and every note' interfere. If

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to protect men and women from Dorothy, there is at least one that can be strained to protect dogs." What is truly remarkable about all this is that the leading lady was Shaw's sister and the disenchanted tenor her husband.

Half a century on, when Shaw was beating off pretenders to the rights of Pygmalion, it was recollections of shows like Dorothy which steeled him against the most heartrending pleas. In February 1948 an aircraftman called Prentice wrote asking if his squadron could stage a musical version of Pygmalion. "I absolutely forbid any such

outrage," Shaw replied. "If Pygmalion is not good enough for your friends with its own verbal music, their talent must be altogether extraordinary. Let them try Mozart's Cost fan tutte or at least Offenbach's The Grand Duchess." Two months later came an

identical request from the New York attorney Fanny Holtzmann, working for Germude Lawrence. "My dear Fanny, stop cabling crazy nonsense," Shaw replied. "What you need is a month's holiday. My decision as to Pygmalion is final. Let me hear no more about it. This

Two years later Shaw was dead and the game was afoot. By 1951 Rodgers and Hammerstein were at work on Pygmalion. Soon they gave up, saying that a musical version was technically impossible. A year later Alan Lerner took up the task and before long he too was declaring the job impossible.

In 1954 he tried again. The result was My Fair Lady. The libretto was inspired to the point of genius, but Lerner always felt uneasy at having altered the end-ing. In the published edition of the musical, he appends a note regarding Shaw's insistence that Eliza ends up with Freddy Eynsford-Hill: "Shaw and heaven forgive me. I

am not certain he is right."
Since My Fair Lady there have been a few aborted attempts at Shavian musicals, the most intriguing of which has been a Broadway assault on Caesar and Cleopatra with the alarming title, Her First Roman. In 1983 I was involved with the composer Denis King in a reasonably successful adaptation of The Admirable Bashville. And



From Pygmalion: Julie Andrews as Eliza and Rex Harrison as Professor Higgins in My Fair Lady

now King and I await the fate of Valentine's Day, a musical version of You Never Can Tell.

In eight years from now, Shaw's presented, is only a few doors away from the Lyric Theatre — which copyrights move into the public domain, and anybody can do what

they wish with the works. I was de- was built on the proceeds of lighted to discover, while resear-ching this article, that the Globe, where Valentine's Day is being

Dorothy. You never can tell.

• Valentine's Day is in preview from Monday at the Globe Theatre (071-437 3667), Shaftesbury Avenue, London W1, and opens on September 17.

TELEVISION REVIEW

Hard truth behind nuclear soft-sell

art of the trouble with nuclear power is that too many of its proponents have told lies about it. For a long time journalists, including me, took the nuclear industry's statements at face

prospect of energy in endless easy to convince the populace that oil was not only finite but also in the hands of foreigners. mostly Arabs, with a startling propensity to put up the price in order to build another golden pleasure dome. Thus did unstated racism join economics and "cleanliness" in the nuclear lobby's battery of

seduction techniques. The disastrous accidents at Three Mile Island and Chernobyl, and their attendant horrors, have helped to introduce balance. In liberal democracies nuclear promises are now at least greeted with scepticism and a degree of enquiry.

We have exploded the myth of cheap nuclear power, a claim originally based on a false comparision: the cost of nuclear energy net of the building costs compared with oil-fired energy including building costs. That swindle is now in the open.

India is another story and last night the excellent First Tuesday series (ITV) told it. Nuclear India: a Dream Gone Sour was a fine piece of journalism, complete with reporters posing as tourists bearing video cameras, to get past the wall of silence that the Indian government has shamefully erected around its 🖸 billion nuclear programme.

In India's version of democracy, it is illegal for a member of parliament to ask a question about nuclear power. The Press is no less constrained. but hideous tumours and terrible deformities cannot be hidden forever.

We saw them last night, in villages that just happen to be

They included a (not untypicall boy born with two sets of penis. A village of 500 people had perhaps a score with Down's syndrome, a proportion that can be explained We were seduced by the away only by the sort of people who regard drink as a coincidriver mows down a bus

> On a beach where thorium, a mineral used in nuclear power plants, is naturally occurring, the First Tuesday team found radioactivity at 300 times normal background levels, sufficient to bring about an evacuation in Britain. The team used a geiger counter, illegal in private hands in India. Yet a government publicity film hoasts about these levels, saying that there have been no ill effects. But there have been, or is this another coincidence?

nd what is the upside of A this misery: The man-an nuclear energy prothis misery? The Indigramme produces less than 3 per cent of the country's electricity and is hopelessly inefficient. Plants spend so long shut down that many of them buy more power, to keep the lights working, than they produce. Recently India opened a fast breeder reactor which ran for two minutes, produced enough electricity to light a 200watt buib and then shut down.

The real purpose of India's obsession with nuclear energy can only be guessed at. But fast breeders produce more plutonium than they need and plutonium makes a mighty big bang if you put it in a bomb. Perhaps India feels it needs nuclear energy so that its people will feel more secure. Last night we saw some people who could give their government an argument, were they allowed to, and we shall not easily forget them.

JAZZ: INTERVIEW

Last orders for cocktails

Clive Davis meets

George Shearing the 73-year-old

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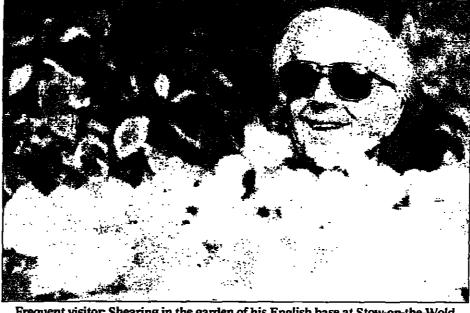
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spends part of each year in his native England, staying in a rented cottage in the Cotswolds. His visits here are, he observes, growing longer and longer. Still active at 73, he plays two concerts this week — Edinburgh tomorrow: London on Friday — on the same bill as Carol Kidd, an ethereal interpreter of ballads who finally seems on the verge of receiving the acclaim she de-

After playing separate sets. the two performers are due to ioin forces for the show's finale. While it will be the first time they have worked together, the versatile Shearing has always known how to draw the best out of vocalists. His recent concerts and recordings with his friend Mel Tormé are prime examples. Capitol Records has also just reissued two albums made with female singers three decades ago: Beauty and The Beat (CDP7-98454) is a live concert with Peggy Lee: The Swingin's Mutual (CDP7-99190) matches Shearing with the purring Nancy Wilson.

Both albums feature the George Shearing Quintet, a group which, with numerous changes of personnel, spanned three decades. The mellow formula — in which guitar and vibraphone lines wafted an octave below and above the keyboard melody achieved huge success, transforming Shearing from a striving young jazz planist into a commercial phenomenon. On his last major outing

with the quintet, in the late Seventies, Shearing played 50 PETER BARNARD | concerns in 63 days. By this



Frequent visitor: Shearing in the garden of his English base at Stow-on-the-Wold

time he had fallen out of favour with jazz listeners, most of whom felt that his piano playing was being pared back in order to blend with the ensemble sound. "He is capable of a lot more inventiveness than he usually offers," one critic wrote in the early Sixties. "His basic compromise is to play as if he were not really emotionally involved, even when he allows himself to do something musical."

Shearing himself has mixed feelings about the quintet. He acknowledges that its success allowed him to move out of smoky clubs and to perform on the international concert hall circuit. Yet it was obvious by the end that he felt trapped in a cocktail-hour format. He relishes the pianistic freedom of working, as he does now, with a duo or trio. The albums he has made in the past decade have contained arguably his most incisive work.

Even so, he is now thinking of re-forming the quintet to make an album for his new lahel. Telarc. "One more time." he says. "If that saying is good enough for Basic, it's good enough for me. There have been enough requests from the public for me to respond to that, but I give you my word that it will not go on concerts. It's not worth the cutting down in terms of addressing the piano."

T e formed his first quintet in 1949, two years after emigrating to New York. Raised in a working-class home in Battersea, he studied music at a school for the blind, and turned down a classical music scholarship in order to support his family. His first job was as a pub pianist. Later he joined an all-blind dance band.

By his early twenties Shearing was dominating the British jazz piano polls. Visiting American musicians such as Glenn Miller (whose chordal arrangements for reeds were to influence the quintet) encouraged him to come to New York. At first the young planist was hesitant. As he later joked: Why would they want England's Teddy Wilson when they had the genuine article?"

His mischievous sense of humour intrudes into his conversation, as well as into song titles such as "Sorry, Wrong Rumba". He and another blind star. Ray Charles, once even teamed up to advertise video laserdiscs. Despite his handicap Shear-

ing is a voracious reader. He and Tormé also both share a passion for the work of Delius. and have been known to toss musical phrases at each other in the middle of a concert. At one point in his career Shearing performed classical concertos with symphony orchestras in America.

Now that so many jazz musicians are crossing the boundaries, is he tempted to take up that challenge again? "No, the queue is too long. However, I'm working on a short Grieg Lyric Piece, which does not present any great problems. Otherwise I don't have any pretences in that direction. There are so many players. Just the other day heard Peter Donohoe, and it was fantastic. I'm not going to George Shearing at the Queen's

Hall. Edinburgh (031-668 2019) tomorrow: Festival Hall, London (071-928 8800) on Friday.

Making sense of a mass-murderer udging by some reviews, the attempts of the Edin-

THEATRE REVIEW

burgh Festival's organisers to put C.P. Taylor firmly on the map are more likely to wipe him off it. Any such outcome would be horribly unfair. How can a dramatist be judged by bad productions of two of his better plays, namely Walter and The Black and White Minstrels, and passable ones of two weaker ones, namely The Ballachulish Beat and Operation Elvis? I daresay Shakespeare would have sunk into oblivion if his survival had depended on the Festival's skill in finding directors for Macbeth and

But Taylor's Good (\$1 Bride's Centre) is unsinkable. even though the present director, Michael Boyd, has a liking for over-heavy cargo and the occasional kamikaze torpedo. Why the awkward set - a tall. curled wall with lots of doors cut into its varnished wood instead of the empty space the play's somersaults through time and space demand? Why is the pace slow, the protagonist stolid, and much of the supporting cast over-emphatic? How could Howard Davies's production in 1981 have been so nimble, and this so dunky?

Yet the play's quality would be evident if it were performed underwater by non-Equity frogmen. It starts around 1933, ends about 1940, and shows a nice German academic evolving into a functionary at Auschwitz. What makes it extraordinary. though, is not merely that Taylor, who was Jewish, disdains to strike obvious attitudes. It is that he enters the foe's mind with sympathy and even humour, seeking to understand evils we are apt selfindulgently to dismiss as subhuman. I cannot think of a more vital endeavour, or of many better modern plays.

Taylor's Faust is Halder, impelled by a senile mother to



write a novel tacitly advocating euthanasia. He is courted by SS men in search of sympathetic intellectuals, and persuaded to exercise his "unsentimental humanity" in a subnormality hospital. But it is his rationalisations that matter. The extermination of incompetents is a kindness, provided the death-chamber is disguised as a bathroom. The Jews have themselves to blame for not reading the signs. His participation will stop thuggish excesses. And isn't "good" a subjective concept anyway?

t all happens slowly, gradually, almost invisibly; yet L the effect is not to excuse Halder. He is ambitious, susceptible to flattery and the glitter of a uniform, and apt to feed his conscience saving fibs. his marriage and career by helping a Jewish friend. But in that he is no worse than most people; and this, of course, is the point. Which of us. faced with parallel pressures, can be sure we wouldn't insidiously slip into similar compromises

No doubt it is unjust to ask Conrad Asquith to match Alan Howard, never better than as the original Halder. But until the end, when horrified selfrecognition overwhelms him, he is doggedly affable and not a lot more. Unease, fear, excitement, arrogance, shiftiness and much else elude him. But the role is there, ready to be tackled again. Whatever happens to the rest of Taylor's ocuvre, this play will survive.

RADIO REVIEW

Puzzling posy of ploughs, pings, players and poetry

Tread in an Italian paper last week that Harold Pinter's The Lover has just been put on in Shanghai. It was the first time that people with complications in their sex lives had been portraved on the Chinese stage. and "many of the audience did not understand them".

If the Chinese were puzzled by Harold Pinter's fickle types, how much more haffled they would have been by some of the characters that appeared on the radio over the Bank Holiday weekend.

Take Paul Heiney, for in-

Radio 4, Saturday). In June, while all his Suffolk neighbours were cutting their hay in a matter of hours on a sunny afternoon, he was doing it with horses and brokendown old machinery, and taking two wearisome days over it. A Chinese peasant would have cut his throat at the mere idea of such folly.

But for me it was a delightful programme. Heiney conveyed all the exhibaration of his life on the traditional farm he runs. The smell of his newcut hay, full of white and red clover and mixed grasses, was like a Christmas pudding he new "tourist farming". of

said. He talked to an old farmhand he had brought out of retirement, and learned all about the dangers of his haystacks setting themselves on fire; and he saved a pig who could not get up, using a cod liver oil and brewer's yeast remedy he had read about in a book published in

1924. Meanwhile, at the other bizarre extreme of rural life today, we heard on The Farming Week (Radio 4, Saturday) about a sheep race designed to attract visitors to a farm. This was an example of the which one enthusiast said: "Humans are the crop - the pigs and wheat are just the

ald men and women Bgot their say on Mon-day in 'The Balding Business" on You and Yours (Radio 4). Joshua Rosenberg. the legal correspondent, said he had been really wounded by a letter to the BBC from a woman who had seen him with his bald head and beard on television: her children, she wrote, thought he was the devil. Other sufferers accepted their fate more cheerfully.

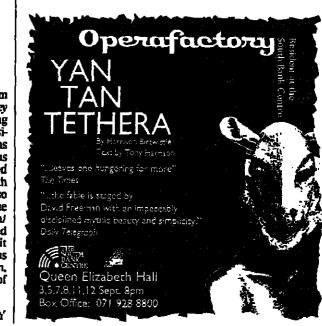
reporting, for instance, how delightful it was to hear the rain as it went "ping ping" on your head.

Chess maniaes got their look-in in David Benedictus's play En Passant (Radio 3, Sunday), which had two Eastern European chess rivals playing a game as one stood on a bus platform and the other rode alongside him on a bicycle. But En Passant. though doubtless a fair picture of the run-down world of small chess tournaments, was painfully undramatic.

We came closest to something like Pinter's characters

in Claire Tomalin's Prom interval talk about Shelley and Love on Monday evening (Radio 3). She spoke enthusiastically about all the poems Shelley addressed to various women while he was married or supposed to be in love with others. The poems were also well read. But as their vague imagery of calm/flood, earth/ moon and night/day flowed over. I had the feeling that it was Shelley the glamorous man that attracted Tomalin, not the vaporous raptures of

DERWENT MAY



Voices that reach us from another world

Nigel Jamieson commends a remarkable set of recordings of Gigli, Melba and many of the other singers of La Scala

wonderful voice and great purity of style. A stupendous artist with unrivalled charm and naturalness . . . Words simply cannot describe the sublime effect..." The critic is Giuseppe Verdi, who was almost impossible to satisfy; the singer is Adelina Pani. Wouldn't you love to hear her? Well you can, but there are two snags: her recordings were made almost 30 years after Verdi's appraisal, and the sound quality is atrocious. As so often with historic recordings, one is torn between the fascination of having an aural elimpse of a legendary performer and the feeling that she might have been better served by the

imagination. Pani is the first artist featured in Grandi voci alla Scala, a collection of six CDs whose 126 arias and excerpts trace a history of the major singers appearing at La Scala from the dawn of the recording age until 1950 - and also, incidentally, a history of the art of recording, whose progress is more immediately obvious than that of the art of singing.

Imagination is also required when tackling the next singer in La Scala's pantheon. Francesco Tamagno, the tenor who created the role of Otello in 1887. He was recorded many years later in the death monologue, and when we hear him groan that he has reached his journey's end, we are not inclined to disagree with him. And vet, through the oscillating hiss comes a still powerful voice whose case and openness of production throughout the range are remarkable. If we can imagine it transposed back to its clarion prime, remembering that Verdi concentrated his efforts in rehearsal on drilling

can we perhaps hear just a hint of closely, making allowance not only what Verdi heard? The truth is that these recordings

together with those of Victor Maurel, the first lago and Falstaffare like fragments in an archaeological museum, partial remains that must be deciphered. To have our ears really opened by grandi voci we must turn to singers who were recorded in their prime, such as the tenor Fernando. De Lucia. He exercises the imagination in quite a different way: if he sounds so wonderful in spite of the primitive



Caruso: men sound better now

1908 sound, what can he possibly have sounded like in the flesh? In the serenade from II barbiere di Siviglia he decorates the vocal line extravagantly but with such caressing grace, innate sense of style and improcable musicianship that he is irresistible.

"Ah! non credea mirarti" sang Patti in her Welsh castle in 1906, and was recorded for posterity. Play it as an example of great singing to an opera-lover with digital ears and he will laugh at you - and not without reason, as it is easy to focus only on the flaws. But listen to it for the obvious crackle and the singer's 63 years but also for the effects of the primitive recording process, which make the intonation waver and strip the voice of its natural harmonics, and you can hear the vestiges of a vocal art that belongs to another world. There is a natural eloquence in the turns and embellishments that makes Bellini's music evolve from them, and a trill that is an integral part of the vocal line rather than an awkward addition to it: the aria's sadness is vividly expressed, but by very different means from those employed by

today's sopranos. Nellie Melba, on the other hand, could not be accused of bringing an excess of personal expression to her music, and in Lucia di Lammermoor's mad scene is practically indistinguishable from the flute in both timbre and coldness - and also, it must be conceded, in agility and evenness. But the overall effect recalls Mahler's quip (about her Traviata) that he would have preferred a good clarinettist.

Male voices, in any case, tend to survive the distortions of the acoustic recording process better than female ones. Two of the most outstanding items in the Scala collection predate the 1925 introduction of electrical recording by several years: Titta Ruffo and Beniamino Gigli prove that opera buffs are not always wrong when they moan about the limitations of today's singers.

Ruffo's vast dark voice has an overwhelming physical presence, every word carved in granite. In "Pari siamo" his Rigoletto seethes with suppressed fury, his cries of "rabbia" quivering under their burden of oppression - and what a weight it must be to hold this voice down. His brief moment of daugh-



ter-directed tenderness is beautifully contrasted, but watch out for his eruption into the final follia.

Gigli is at the opposite end of the timbre spectrum, his clear, almost ethereal tones flowing with astound-ing ease and expressive pliancy in a youthful rendering of an aria from Boito's Mefistofele — a muchrepresented opera in this collection, which reminds us how much tastes in repertoire have changed.

Caruso is not heard at his best in a hammy "Una furtiva lacrima", but there are excellent contributions from Battistini. De Luca, Chaliapin,

Schipa, Muzio and many others, concluding with Lady Macbeth's "Vieni, "affecta" sung by the young Maria Callas in just the hollow, stifled tones Verdi specified.

And Grandi voci has at least one novelty for even the most seasoned collector: a performance of "O muto asil" by Giacomo Lauri-Volpi. described as an "unreleased testpiece". The famous tenor clearly had a bet with the technicians that he could break their new microphone

by sheer lung power. He won. The discs are accompanied by a volume of biography and criticism

written by Rodolfo Celletti, an eminent authority on voices. His judgments range from the carefully balanced to such bizarre sweeping statements as: "Aureliano Pertile's recordings are considerably superior, in terms of both technical execution and interpretative imagination, to those of any tenor of the LP or CD era." Sob, gasp. The text is in Italian only, but the pictures are

Grandi voci alla Scala is available from Teutro alla Scala, Ufficio Stampa, Via Filodrammatici, Milan, at 156,000

ARTS AND ENTERTAINMENT

• AMSTERDAM: Drawings from the Age of Brueghel. A hundred 16th-century drawings by Jan Gossaert. Lucas van Leyden, and Pieter Brueghel the Elder and

Rijksmuseum. Stadhouderskade 42. Tel: (31 20) 6732121. Tues-Sat. 10-5 pm, Sun. 1-5pm. Until Nov 8. BORDEAUX: Works by the contemporary American artist, Mike Kelley.

Musée d'art contemporain. Entrepot, 7 rue Ferrère, 33000 Bordeaux. Tel: (33) 56441635. Sept 18 to Nov

● FRANKFURT: Art in the Republic of Genoa 1528-1815. Art flourished in Genoa as well as in Venice and Florence, but it has not often been assembled on this scale. Schirn Kunsthalle, Am Romerberg. Tel: (49 69) 2998820. Mon. 2-6pm. Tues-Fri, 10-10pm, Sat, Sun 10-7pm. From Sept 5 to Nov 8.

• PARIS: As part of its autumn season, the Théatre du Châtelet are producing a series of Schumann concerts. In the first on Sept 13, the Royal Concertgebouw Orchestra conducted by Riccardo Chailly, will perform the Overture, Scherzo et Finale. Op 52. and the Concertstucke for four horns and orchestra. On Oct 2 there is a performance by the baritone, Thomas Hampson, of music by Schumann, Schubert, and Scarlatti. The series continues into November.

Théatre du Châtelet, 2 rue Edouard Colonne. Tel: (33 1) 40282840. ■ TURIN: Settembre Musica

is organised by the cultural council of the city. There are over 50 classical and contemporary concerts, some taking place in the open air. The Turin Symphony Orchestra the St Petersberg Philharmnic Orchestra, the Radio Symphony Orchestra Berlin and the Royal Concertgebouw Orches-

tra are taking part. Settembre Musica, Città di Torino, Assessorato per la Cultura, Piazza San Carlo 161, 1-10123 Turin. Tel: (39) 11 5765564. Until Sept 19.

HEATHER ALSTON

Swiss artists take the foreground: in Verona the largest Paul Klee exhibition ever, and a revival of the subversive Félix Vallotton in Amsterdam

oon after Paul Klee came back from the first world war, where despite his Swiss birth he served in the German army, the Hans Golff Gallery in Munich gave him a retrospective exhibition. This, along with his appointment by Walter Gropius to the faculty of the Bauhaus where he taught from 1921 to 1931, estab-

renowned artist in his own litetime. The new exhibition at the Galleria d'Arte Moderna in Verona — benefiting from important loans from the Paul-Klee-Stiftung, Berne, Al-Joseha Klee (the artist's grand-

son) and the Kunstsammlung

lished Klee as a successful and

Great little artist

Nordrhein-Westfalen, Düsseldorf — announces itself as the largest exhibition of Klee's work ever held. The show covers Klee's entire career. from "infantilia" to the sombre late work. The early works include comical. Jugendstil illustrations of hooked fish, which echo a hilarious description of the aquarium in Naples from the diary of his 1901-2 Italian journey.

Franz Marc's pantheism and Vasily Kandinsky's theories of the spiritual in art were profound influences on Klee's

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creative thinking. Klee and Kandinsky drew closest during their shared Bauhaus per-iod, when smallness of scale and humorous whimsy enter occasional works of Kandinsky's, and when Kiee's constructivist, floating geometric forms echo Kandinsky's watercolours. Klee's watercolour. Transparent and Perspectival (1921), with folds of striped fabric resembling windbreakers on an English beach, could be mistaken for a

navilion.

How major an artist was Klee? Peggy Guggenheim list-ed the theft of five paintings by Klee from her New York gallery in 1942 among the tragedies of her career as a collector. John Berger once wrote that in a certain sense "Klee can barely be considered an artist at all". He was referring to the lack of "conscious intention and deliberate striving", which he considered a sine qua non. There is indeed a degree of automatism in Klee's work - the "striving" consisted in eliminating "intention" and shrugging off the learned European

Kandinsky but for the narra-

tive intrusion of a circular

Klee's primitive, spontane-ous, childish but never naive lines, textures and images. although sometimes vilified as doodling, make him seem a more natural artist than many a master with a programme. By ranging with total freedom through symbol, abstract form, calligraphy, geometry. and figuration, many of his works are prophetic of postsecond world war Western art. For example Penck, Cucchi and Paladino use the same mixture of the informel and primitive figuration. Klee was

LAST week's spectacle of

young Germans giving the Nazi salute and shouting ra-

cial abuse as they set fire to a

home for asylum-seekers in

This is most evident in

Berlin, where the streets

around the old synagogue on

Oranienstrasse have become

the centre of the city's smart-

nightclub scene with bars and

cafés adopting Jewish names, serving Jewish food and offer-

ing Hebrew newspapers for

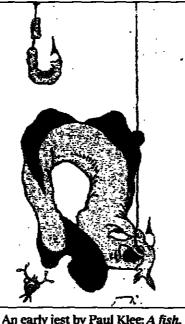
German culture.

the first major Euro pean artist to use the grid format. Most significantly, at least two works in the Verona exhibition bring Dubuffet to mind: Desert of Stones (1933) and There is a strong argument that Kiee represented a link between pre- and post-second world war European art, counterbalancing the notion of American dominance of European art in the

Although he was a founding member of the Blue Rider group and although he was, with Kandinsky, the most important teacher at the Bauhaus. Klee eludes definition as belonging to this or that 20thcentury movement or milieu. Perhaps this, combined with his falling in the long shadow of Kandinsky, with the banal fact that his enormous production is small in scale (petit peintre, petit maltre), and with the puritanical belief that witty paintings are necessarily slight, explains why he is not unanimously acclaimed as one of the great masters.

ke's historical importance is clear, in my . view, and his work has contributed to the longevity of painting as an expressive means in the late 20th century.

The Galleria d'Arte Moderna of Verona is funded by a combination of sponsors and the municipal department for culture. With this support, director Giorgio Cortenova



An early jest by Paul Klee: A fish. two friends, a little animal (detail)

has mounted exhibitions of Modigliani, Alberto Savinio. Picasso, the German Expressionists. Magritte, and now Klee. The trend is evident mainstream modernism and big names, which will appeal to tourists, citizens and spon-sors in a successful mixture. This is splendid for Verona midway between its two rivals for art-exhibition pre-emi-nence, Milan and Venice and indicative of a tendency among Italy's smaller northern cities to grope towards a permanent role for modern and contemporary art in their local culture. Bergamo, Vicenza. Bologna and Ferrara are each at different stages on the

PHILIP RYLANDS

• Paul Klee is on show at the Galleria d'Arte Moderna e Contemporanea, Palazzo Forti. Verona, until December 2. Open daily 9am to 10pm. Catalogue: Paul Klee, published by Mazzotta, Milan, 364 pp. 90,000 Lire (£40)

he retrospective of Félix Vallotton's work at Am-sterdam's Van Gogh Museum is the first European stage in a revival of interest in he Swiss post-impressionis

Almost forgotten after the flop of a large exhibition in Switzerland in the 1970s, Vallotton has now been catapulted back into the limelight, mainly thanks to the efforts of Sasha Newman, the curator of Yale University's art gallery. "Even in the 1970s, people

were embarrassed by his cold, lethal nudes and his subversive vision. They prefer to cling to his woodcuts of Parisian life and early portraits. Vallotton was an unresolved chapter in late 19th-century painting and I decided it was time to bring him out of the closet," explains Newman, who has organised three retrospectives of the artist's work in the United States over the past 12 months.

Vallotton, who was born in 1865 in Lausanne, went to study art in Paris in the mid-1880s. There he met Edouard Vuillard and Pierre Bonnard, who in 1889 formed the Nabis, who took their name from the Hebrew word for

"prophet". Vallotton joined the Nabis in 1892. He was known to his friends as "le Nabi étranger," because of his Swiss roots; and the soubriquet could also apply to his work. At first sight, his paintings suggest a striv-ing for realism and the classical reproduction of traditional subjects. However, looking closer one always finds some thing subversive at work: the wilfully clumsy detail of a foot, or a young nude girl bathing in full make-up.

In his painting of the Nabis. The Five Painters (1902-3). Vallotton portrays these avantgardists as sober businessmen with watery eyes and flabby jowls. The figures are arranged around a desk in a

Nabi

wealthy merchants.

He deliberately makes his painting - which is about the founders of a new artistic sensitivity — as "dead as a door nail" explains Newman, "The Nabis were all after very different things. While Bonnard's work was about the sense of touch, Vallotton's is about the evasion of touch." In perhaps his greatest fe-

male nude painting, Three Women and a Young Girl Playing in the Water (1907), the spectator is repulsed. The expected intimacy of such a grouping is destroyed by a cold "northern" style. The bathers are submerged in their own exclusive world. This painting shocked the Parisian alons but is now seen as one of the first examples of "psyreminded of Francis Bacon's truncated forms, or of Lucian The woodcuts for which

chological naturalism". One is

are indeed superb, making him one of the most important graphic artists of the late 19th century. The best example is Intimités, a series on the theme of the futility of true love, and the ramifications of an illicit affair.

An surprising Vallotton's output is the landscapes and grand mythological scenes which he painted after leaving the Nabis in the early 1900s.

There is a real conflict there," Newman says. "He wanted to be a true artist but he also wanted worldly success, and he made money from his landscapes. He was. after all, a good Swiss bourgeois - but he deserves a far more prominent place in art

MARK FULLER

● The retrospective (about 100 paintings and 50 works on paper) runs until November 1 at Van Gogh Museum, Paulus Potter Struat 7. Amsterdam (31 20 570



La Paresse (Idleness): one of Vallotton's woodcuts

FESTIVALS: GERMANY

What Prague means to Berlin

Rostock raised fears both in Germany and abroad of a return to an uglier political climate. Although the menace their customers to look at over from the radical right is real. their coffee. Der Spiegel, Gerit nevertheless masks one of many's biggest-selling news the most extraordinary develmagazine and a keen spotter opments of the past year, a of trends, has just published a dramatic growth of interest in special "Germans and Jews" the place of the Jews in

Some of this enthusiasm for things Jewish can be traced to the huge exhibition "Patterns of Jewish Life" which ran for three months at the beginning of this year, examining almost every aspect of Jewish culture but ignoring the Holocaust. This omission, highly controversial at the time, has

proved to have been justified, helping to erode the stereotype of the Jew as a victim and encouraging young Germans to look beyond their inherited guilt and to focus on the part the Jews have played in the creation of their own culture.

This process will receive a boost today when Berlin's annual cultural festival, the Berliner Festwochen or "Festival Weeks" opens, taking Prague at its theme and focusing on the coming together of German, Jewish and Czech cultures in the city.

When the Festwochen began in 1950, the purpose was to bring back some cultural life to a city ruined by war, and the festival grew steadily throughout the Fif-

ties. When the Berlin Wall was built in 1961, the Festwochen found a new role helping to boost morale in the isolated enclave of West Berlin. East Berlin set up its own Festwochen and by the time the Wall came down in November 1989 Berlin had two full-scale arts festivals run-

ning simultaneously through-

out every September. Now Ulrich Eckhardt, in his 20th year as director of the

Festwochen, has adroitly shifted the emphasis of his festival towards charting Germany's place on the new cultural map of Europe. Hence this year's focus on Prague, which has recently

attracted hundreds of thousands of German visitors, so that German is now heard almost as often as Czech on Wencestas Square. During the Twenties. German was spoken by the merchants, the

civil servants and many of the Jews of Prague, and these three groups formed a small but vital community which produced writers such as Max Brod, Franz Werfel and Franz Kafka. Kaika dominates the Festwochen with readings of his work and the world premiere of Aribert Reimann's

opera The Castle. The stars of the festival include Simon Rattle. Riccardo Muti and Maurizio Pollini but this will, more than anything, be a chance for Berliners to consider the loss to their own culture caused by the Nazis as they reflect on Prague, the spiritual centre of

DENIS STAUNTON The Berliner Festwochen runs

How to be big in Hollywood Miriam

Margolves says she is all Californian now. bar the jogging. Susan Ellicott

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golyes is hardly a meek interview. For a start, she opens her front door draped in a towel. Seconds after an apology for stepping out of a shower shortly before midday, she plonks herself on a squidgy sofa and launches

reports

the politics of George Bush. The president of the United States is tired, vile and undeserving of a second term, she declares, warming to the theme despite drips of water from her hair on to her bare shoulders. Five minutes later, she finally excuses herself to put on some clothes. "Look at my books or something," she suggests, waving a hand vaguely toward two shelves as

into a passionate criticism of

she walks into a bedroom. Margolyes is one of the least stuffy Brits ever to hit Holly-wood — a chatterbox of extralarge proportions who has hit her professional stride in the land of excess. In fact, she is such a joyous "loose cannon" (her own words), that journalists face a hurdle when writing about her. It is impossible to convey her exuberance with-

out resorting to italics. If Margolyes did not act, she could probably make a fortune giving elocution lessons to the children of wealthy foreigners keen for their darlings to speak impeccable English. Her "partic-u-lar-ly" is a study in the perfect diction that kicked off an early career in commercial voice-overs for tea and sherry. Today, however, she knows that there is life (and work) aplenty after playing a talking PG Tips chimpanzee.

In the United States, where she has lived for three years. Margolyes, now 51, is unashamedly happy with herself. This year alone, she will appear in two Hollywood films. The Age of Innocence, directed by Martin Scorsese and based on the Edith Wharton novel, and Ed And His Dead Mother, (about a woman brought back to life when she eats cockroaches). Also coming up are her first television sitcom series. Franny's Turn, and Stalin, a film with Robert Duvall. In this country, the film of As You Like II, in which she plays Audrey, goes on general release early next month. In short, she is having what she might call a jolly good time.

"It's like a gift in my late life." she says. "I'm very consider of time nassing in

scious of time passing. In some ways I feel like I'm in my prime. But it's funny to have such a late prime."

It is 75°F on a late August morning. The view from the balcony of Margolyes's 12th-



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floor flat stretches for miles along the palm trees and beaches of Los Angeles bay.

"Fresh as paint, dear," she quips in a cockney voice as she pours two glasses of the fresh orange juice squeezed by her maid, Martha. "She came in especially today because I was embarrassed about the state of the place - But if you had urine that colour, you'd be very

Margolyes compares coming to America during middleage with another of her most formative experiences - that of winning a place at Newnham College, Cambridge, from an all-girls school in Oxford, to read English.

he describes herself as living in "suspended Englishness", which may be so if one follows the American stereo-type of the English as snooty and reserved. She is neither, offering advice on how to rent a car at Heathrow airport and showing the photograph al-bum of her renovated farmhouse in Tuscany, which she rents out (a hobby she inherited from her mother, an Ox-

ford landlady).
But there are tell-tale signs of Englishness about her aside from her accent. Her bookshelves hold a battered edition of the collected works of Dickens, whom she considers greater than Shakespeare in his portrayal of the human spirit, and pieces of Victorian china and silverware collected at flea markets in California. And, in a city of pneumatic "babes" rushing from one work-out class to another, Margolyes is unperturbed by

her ample size.
"I ab-so-lute-ly think 1 should lose weight. No doubt about that," she says with the resigned air of someone who knows she won't. "But I'll never be thin. People really like me anyway. So if fashion frowns upon it ... Poo-hoo!"

"I'm not a Hollywood person at all," she says, denying much knowledge about the glitz of the US entertainment industry. "You only have to look at me to know that." Yet Hollywood has been

to Margolyes, who packed her bags for America after Los Angeles critics gave her an award in 1989 for Dickens's showy Flora Flinching in the film of Little Dorrit. Cleverly, in a business full of young lithe beauties with short shelf-lives, she has carved a niche for herself as a roly-poly comic actor.

"I swim 40 lengths a day. I don't smoke. I don't drink. I am health conscious. I take vitamins. I'm very Californian," she adds with an edge of mischief. "The only thing is I don't jog because I think that might frighten people."

In The Age of Innocence, she plays "the matriarch of a rather high class New York family, a woman of shrewdness and on the whole a benevolent creature". She describes the role with a jovial

swipe at herself.
"Enormously fat," she says.
"Pendulously fat. Encased in fat. Out of which her huge.

sharp, intelligent eyes dart about in this glandular face . . . I'm tailor-made for the role."

Appearing alongside Dan-iel Day-Lewis, Michelle Pfeiffer, Winona Ryder and a handful of British actors, in-cluding Sian Phillips, Geral-dine Chaplin and Richard E. Grant, Margolyes admits she found it "a bit scary" to work closely with Scorsese, whom she describes as "a powerful personality and very intense director. You felt you wanted

to do your best".

For someone as literary as she, Scorsese, an ex-film student and filmaker's film-maker, was also a challenge because "his quotations are from film not literature". Often on set, she remembers, the director was so tense that only his reaching for an anti-asthma inhaler slowed him down. An only child of Jewish

parents. Margolyes says she was always a show-off and has indulged this tendency through acting, starting with the Footlights revue with John Cleese. As a youngster, she would pretend to faint in class to get attention, which caused all sorts of commotion since she "was always a rather lumpy child". Once, she climbed inside the horse in the school gymnasium and jiggled it across the floor, her large hazel eyes sticking out.

"I've not really moderated myself at all," she says. "I still fart in rehearsals." Compared with the British, she finds the Americans surprisingly shockable, in part because they are "much more hard-working

and conformist". "You can't be shocking in America," she says, maybe to her chagrin. "It distresses them to have someone like me who speaks my mind. I said bowel movement on the Johnny Carson Show and he never invited me back - after the third time."

than we are, extremely formal

Some things about America she will never comprehend, including the fad among teenagers for wearing baseball caps and other clothing backto-front. "The other thing I cannot get over is the slitting of jeans. It's ap-pall-ing. I mean, Jews only do that when there's death in the family."

Until now, Margolyes has been better known in Britain than in the United States. But the television sitcom could change all that. This week, she was due to appear on the Tonight show with Carson's successor, Jay Leno, to plug her role as Franny, a middleaged seamstress in a fashion house, who embraces the women's movement late in life while looking after a mother-in-law Alzheimer's disease. Trying to be modern after

raising two children with a husband "who's in pest control". Franny takes it upon herself to improve their sex life, mend a sink and have a say in the family finances. Critics are likening the show to Roseanne, which has the

same producer, although Franny is years behind Roseanne when it comes to self-expression. Margolyes hopes that viewers will learn something from the show. And, if they don't, well, here's to America anyway.

"I know what I want," she says with a smile. "And I'm going hell for leather at it.'

The sex with no voice

Women are natural conservationists. Who will speak for them now?

mmediately after the 1989 elections to the Eu-. ropean parliament, Mrs Thatcher's government held an emergency weekend meeting to discuss the implications

of the Green party's 15 per cent vote. An odd thing to do, given that even higher percentage votes for previous incarnations of the Liberal Democrats had left the government unperturbed. But an opinion poll had

suggested that 45 per cent of the British people would consider voting Green in a general election. No wonder the government was worried. And no wonder the Green

party was excited. Years of arguing that environmental degradation was a matter for urgent action were over. At last we could get down to the solutions. We now know, of course, that the Green party did not win seats at Westminster this year. Indeed the party was scarcely visible in April's

general election. Instead

of grasping the opportu-

nities of 1989 with both

hands, it demonstrated

the most amazing political ineptitude. The party proved incapable of agreeing any political or organisational strategy. This failure caused me end-less frustration and eventually

led to my decision to step down as chairman of the executive after 17 years' active involvement in the party. Sad as I am about that, I am troubled by an even greater remorse. Research shows that, apart from young people in general,

it is women, especially those with young children, who have the greatest sympathy with green ideas. The Green party raised hopes that a refreshing breeze would now blow through Britain's dusty grey and very manly political establishments. Women wanted to hear a new voice, one which could talk about their lives and worries in a language they could understand.

The apparently natural empathy between women and green politics has been the subject of many a book and pamphlet. Going beyond the general observation that

women are often experts at making ends meet and are therefore intuitive conservationists, some writers have argued that women and their experience are better placed than men to understand ecological processes. Great significance has been

laid on the parallels between menstruation patterns and life nurturing powers (pregnancy, birth and suckling) and the cycles of the moon and the seasons. And the oppression of women by men, it is claimed. makes women uniquely able to identify with the oppression of nature. Wading through such stuff

can do wonders for the ffemale) reader's morale. But the



notion that the workings of our bodies and centuries of oppression give us superior insights into the relationships of all life is bunkum. It denies that some women can and do operate as aggressively and destructively as any man.

Furthermore, as stopping environmental destruction and ending the human misery which accompanies it is such an urgent task, there is simply no time to exact reparations as most ordinary women realise. They are less interested in how the chemicals got into supermarket food or in the grisly background to the civil war in Somalia than with the practicalities of getting safe and nourishing food to their own and to Somalian families from now on. They ask, rightly, why history should prevent this happening.

In failing to recruit their support, the Green party has done itself and the Earth a seriously bad turn.

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Tartt bites the Big Apple

A well-versed young writer from Mississippi is the toast of literary America

ew York's publishing industry was becom-ing desperate. The Brat Pack of young 1980s novelists had grown up and left home: Bret and Jay and Tama, long in the tooth in their thirties, were maturing themselves out of notoriety. No one was buying first novels any more. Huge advances wandered around the industry in search of an author.

To the rescue came an unlikely figure, with an even more unlikely name: Donna Tartt, a wraith-like, pale-faced. 28-year-old Mississippian with 866 pages (or 3lb) of neady-typed manuscript, a taste for men's suits, an apart-ment in Greenwich Village, a parrot and a pug called Pungo. The publicists slavered. Bret Euston Ellis, of Less Than Zero fame and American Psycho infamy, endorsed her. His agent adopted her and a lerocious auction ensued, which left Ms Tartt under the imports of the great New York publishers Alfred A.

Knopf and \$450,000 richer-The film deal is already signed, 75,000 copies of the book have been printed and Ms Tarn has been interviewed by almost every glossy magaane in America beginning with a a breathless paean in Vanity Fair, which like



Worthy of her hype: Donna Tartt, a publisher's dream

Knopf, is part of the Random House publishing empire. And that, cynically speak-ing, has been the exceedingly unsecret history of Ms Tarte a tale of bloated advances, a publicity frenzy and an eccentric female author with a funny

name and a literary bent - in short, a phenomenon.

Ms Tartt could be dismissed as a Brat Packer '90s style, were it not for one central difference: she is exceptionally talented, and her book The Secret History (to be published in Britain by Viking next month) is a haunting, compelling and brilliant piece of fiction. It tells the story of a group of classics students at an elite American college, who are cerebral, obsessive and

finally murderous. The Secret History is a whodunnit in reverse (from the first page we are told who killed whom: the question is why), packed with literary allusion and told with a sophistication and texture that more books than magazines,

owes much more to the 19th

century than to the 20th. The book is narrated by Richard Papen, a Californian boy who confesses with hindsight to events that took place years before. The Secret History is a college coming-of-age story, but with none of the adolescent self-indulgence that

The '80s clutch of young novelists made its reputation peeling back the mottled skin of youth culture, to reveal the anomie underneath: the writers were familiar with orgies, drugs and fast cars - at least, that is what they wrote about, sometimes with depth.

Ms Tartt, on the other hand, is familiar with Nabokov. Buddha, Nietzsche, Pound, Eliot, Poe, Salinger and Plato. as well as the arcana of orgies and drugs. She is possibly the first famous author under 30 for at least a decade who reads

and she wears her erudition on her sleeve.

If her book was not so good. Ms Tartt might, just might be unbearably pretentious. Her telephone answering machine has a recording of T.S. Eliot reading from The Waste Land ("I love having a dead man answer my telephone"); she tends to paralyse interviewers by breaking into recitations of ancient Greek; and her conversation bristles with mots justes that sometimes have the air of rehearsal. She confided to Vanity Fair that at university she could be found "eating in the Union by myself, reading Nietzsche. I was so happy".
"My life is like Candide."

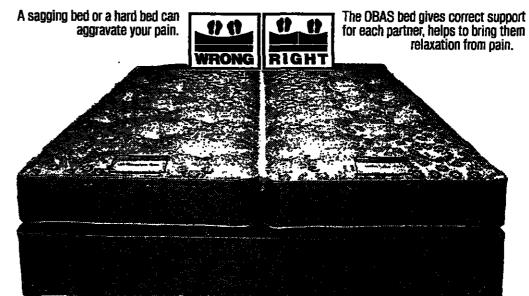
she said to another interviewer: "I'm exactly the same size as Lolita" to another, "I ran around barefoot as a child, like Scout in To Kill a Mockingbird" to yet another.

For the time being the American media are too busy rushing to reread the classics and pretending to understand Greek to wince, but when the Tartt backlash comes it may be

The slightly emetic quality of Ms Tartt's literary conversation, however, translates into startling and rich writing and when her guard is down she appears for what she is a remarkably dever writer who has been taken up by the world's most efficient publishing publicity machine, but who deserves it "All I did was write my novel for eight years," she told one interviewer in a revelatory moment, "I'm basically kind

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and Behaviour Difficulties

D B Carder: J M Florentine; K F

Special Education:

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A Bourdouane; E M Davies: S M Gregory: R M M Haamaundu; Y F Leung: T K T Pace: K J Taylor: L C

Special Education: Learning Difficulties

Special Education: Multi-

Sensory Impairment

Special Education: Visually

B Cork: B A Dolan; I Labogo; P E R Moseley: L A Neal: L M Paternan; A H Robinson; M A Short: P J Storoc; P W K Vormawah; R J Wadidi; J G Worpell

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You may love your home but not the position. Vicky Ward looks at how some owners solve the problem by uprooting everything

On the move, With the house in tow

Japanese consortium had planned to buy Minto House, near Hawick, in the Scottish Borders, former home of the earls of Minto. The dilapidated and delisted house was to have been reconstructed brick by brick in Japan but the buyers pulled out because of the recession. Late last week, lan Lang, the Scottish secretary, designated the house a grade A listed building to prevent its demolition.

Reconstruction is nevertheless becoming increasingly popular.

American and French property companies, like the Japanese who wanted to rebuild Minto as a tourist attraction, are seeking to rebuild disused English ancestral buildings abroad to boost tourism. In England, too, there is a small market. Negotiations have started for the removal of the disused Elim pentecostal church in Salisbury, a

Grade II listed building, to Pang-

bourne College, Berkshire, where

the school, strongly linked to the

armed forces, hopes to make it a

college chapel and a memorial to

ntil two months ago a the British naval officers who died in the Falklands war.

Anthony Hudson, the headmas-ter, says: "Architecturally, the cha-pel would be the perfect match for the school. My house was built in 1896 and so was the chapel. If we get it re-erected here, it will stand on a hill, facing south towards Portsmouth, which is where the Falklands expedition set forth. The project is the brainchild of Admiral Sandy Woodward, who commanded the expedition."

Permission for the chapel's move is difficult to obtain, since conservationists such as the Society for the Protection of Ancient Buildings (SPAB) and English Heritage maintain that the value of ancestral buildings is lost in the upheaval. However, non-Anglican church buildings, such as Elim, fall outside English law, which prohibits the demolition of listed buildings.

"A listed building is automatically delisted when it is dismantled and reconstructed," says Adela Wright, architectural adviser for the SPAB. "No matter how careful the removal, certain parts, such as



Mobile asset: Walden Close was built in Essex in the 16th century, but in 1935 it was dismantled and re-erected in West Sussex

the infill panels, the old joints and the wattle and daub, are lost. Anyway, reconstructions look pho-

ney, too perfect."

Philip Venning, her colleague, adds: "When a building is reconstructed, it is transformed from a piece of living history to an inanimate museum object."

Salisbury County Council has granted permission for the removal Elim church, subject to a satisfactory replacement, on the ground that the chapel, which has remained vacant for three years, is not suitable for conversion

Richard Harris, of the Weald and Downland Open Air Museum, in West Sussex, specialises in dismantline, moving and reconstructing buildings for study purposes. He says: "Once a house looks certain to be demolished, such as in the case of houses in the path of the Channel tunnel links, we may be able to move them." He does not believe that buildings necessarily

lose all their value if dismantled. "Some firms dismantle and rebuild houses and barns thoughtlessly, reconstructing only the best bits — usually the timber frame —

and the rest gets lost. Tiny parts, such as the nails, which are of great educational value, get lost and are thrown away. If a brick house is being dismantled, sometimes even the original bricks are replaced.

"However, when the museum dismantles a building, we make drawings every time we take down even one layer and number each brick. We make 250 drawings for every chimney we take down. Little of the original is lost in the reconstruction and the knowledge we

gain is enormous. "An antique chair does not lose

its value if it is moved; why should a building carefully moved from site to site be treated any differently from any other historic artefact?

"Unlike the SPAB, which in the purist tradition would sometimes prefer to destroy buildings faced with the threat of demolition, I consider that much can be learnt from reconstructing them." Perhaps surprisingly, there are

instances of removals and reconstruction in England, simply because the home owners love their house but not the site. In 1971, Peter Hodge arranged for Balling-

near Sudbury in Suffolk, to be hoisted on to rollers and moved 300ft up the hill, where it no longer overlooked warehouses built after he moved there. The rollers, suitable for moving houses over short distances, did not destroy any part of the structure, thus providing the only legal method of moving the building, since it was listed.

don Hall, his Elizabethan mansion

Vita Sackville-West arranged for a barn to be dismantled and reerected at one end of her home in the Weald of Kent.

In West Sussex, Walden Close, a 16th-century house near West Grinstead, is now for sale. Built in Saffron Walden, Essex, it was dismantled and re-erected on its present site in 1935 by Sir Ralph Harwood, deputy treasurer to King George V. whose hobby it was to buy and restore Tudor houses.

The asking price is £475,000 and, according to Brian Watson of Hamptons, the house is probably worth a little more in Sussex than it would be in Essex.

Stephen Hurst, a Cambridge builder, has four dismantled houses in his barn. "We are waiting for the housing market to im-prove," says Ian Hall, his colleague. We sometimes take down unlisted timber houses in Sussex and movethem to Essex, where timber houses are more unusual."

Occasionally, houses are rebuilt illegally. Recently a listed barn mysteriously disappeared during a bank holiday weekend, and by now would be happily housing a swimming pool in New Jersey had it not been recognised by the authorities when an export license was sought.

ales of council houses under the right-to-buy scheme have plummet-ed from 92,995 in 1990 to 51,437 in 1991. In the first quarter of this year, sales have been 11.466, down 23 per cent on the same quarter in 1991.

Councils are encouraging people to buy by increasing the discount available to a maximum of £50,000, but how much you pay depends on the sale price set by the council. After two years as a council tenant, you qualify for a discount of 32 per cent on a house and 44 per cent on a flat or maisonette. This reaches 60 per cent after 30 years for a house and 70 per cent for a flat or maisonette.

Angela and Bryn Stocker made the most of the offer when they bought the one-bedroom Edwardian ground-floor flat in a terraced house overlooking Clapham Common, southwest London, which Mrs Stocker had lived for ten years, thereby qualifying for a 60 per cent discount from Wandsworth council.

The council brought in its own scheme ahead of the government's 1980 legislation and since 1978 has sold 18,000 of its

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From council flat to DIY palace

How an enterprising family became property owners at a discount and went on to greater things

total of 40,000 properties. Stephan Mayner, a council spokesman, says: "It has been quite a marketing exercise. If you compare us with any other inner-London council, it will be nowhere near us in sales. We sold 824 properties in

1990 and 472 last year. The drop was due partly to the market, but was mostly because of the law of diminishing returns. "However, there is still a demand from

tenants, especially new ones, who want to buy and it will carry on for quite a while yet. We even outsell the outer London councils, which have much more attractive properties - mostly houses with

The Stockers' flat, on the north side of Clapham Common, has high ceilings and well-proportioned rooms, but was in bad condition. The kitchen had a cooker in one alcove, and a water heater in the

There were no wardrobes or cupboards and the roof needed replacing. Mr and Mrs Stocker slept in the living room, and Mrs Stocker's two children by an earlier marriage shared the bedroom.

The family were high on the list for transfer to a larger council house. "The choice on offer was not very attractive,"
Mrs Stocker says. "We decided we would
take up our right to buy."
The flat had been valued at £59,000

when interest rates were low, but there was an 18-month delay while the council dithered about repairs to the roof before the Stockers could buy. If they bought the lease of the flat, they would become responsible for their share of the cost of repairs to the roof as lessees of Wands-

Eventually, the surveyors agreed, and the Stockers bought the flat with a 125year lease for £34,000 in November,

Where the Stockers have done well is in utilising their own talent. Mr Stocker is a carpenter and Mrs Stocker a dab hand at upholstery. Between them, they changed a council flat, albeit in a promising situation, into a bijou abode.

Mr Stocker made the doors for the kitchen cabinets and the doors to the living room and bathroom, about 38 in all, each of them beautifully panelled. He also made the alcoves, shelves and cupboards in the living-room and bathroom. He built a linen chute, so they could pile in the dirty clothes, which then fell into the cupboard below.

His wife made the blinds, headboards and curtains for the windows and the glazed doors of the bathroom and r Stocker says: "Although we

were keen to finish the flat because we wanted to sell it, I can honestly say that it was done to the highest standard as we would like our home to be. The design and the choice of fittings

were very personal. I drew up designs and made models of what we planned, then we would decide exactly what we

wanted." The couple used very expensive fittings. The brass door handles cost £40 and the cupboard handles £11.

Winkworth, the agent chosen by the Stockers, sold the flat within seven days for £90,000.

After making a profit of £56,000, the couple bought a three-bedroom house in Worcester Park, Surrey. Not surprisingly. the house needs complete renovation, which Mr Stocker says they are looking forward to, although that could take them three years. The two children, who are now aged 11 and 13, have a bedroom

The Stockers estimate that they probably spent £15,000 on materials doing up the flat but that to pay tradespeople for a similar standard of work would have cost

had time to enjoy fully what they had done. "I suppose," Mrs Stocker says, "our alterations were finished about two days before we sold it."

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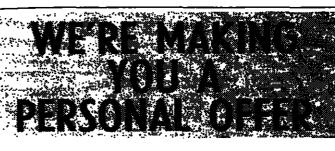
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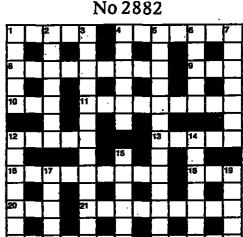
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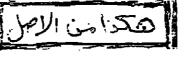
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looks distinctly under-budgeted. The main interest lies in seeing how these writers are handled. The films were made in the glasnost

period, when figures such as Pasternak were being rehabilitated.
The process is echoed in an approving portrait of the man who had
Dr Zhivago banned in the USSR and was not allowed to take up the
Nobel prize for literature. (Teletext) (9821)

2.30 Film: Naughty But Nice (1939, bw). Minor musical staming Dick

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9.25 Radar Men from the Moon (biw). Virtage space adia (6857802) 9.40 Foofur. Cartoon about a stray dog (9570537)

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6.00 Ceefax (52192) 6.30 BBC Breakfast News (78373111)

9.05 Defenders of the Earth. Space-age cartoon (r) (7896937)
9.25 Why Don't You..? Make a rocket, cook toad-in-the-hole and find out how chocolate is made (r) (s) (3564227) 10.00 News, regional news and weather (4039531) 10.05 Playdays (r) (s) (9858869) 10.25 Double Dare. Game show (r) (s) (1186111)

10.45 The O-Zone. Music news and videos (s) (7928647)
11.00 News, regional news and weather (8514647) 11.05 The Hying Doctors. Australian drama series (r). (Ceefax) (3211531) 11.50 The History Man: Holy Water. Bryan McNerney visits Cornwall's ancient wells and springs (5600314)

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Scene with Caron Keating and Linda Mitchell (2621734) 12.55
Regional news and Weather (93366622)
1.00 One O'Clock News. (Ceefax) Weather (17956)
1.30 Neighbours. (Ceefax) (s) (43577753)
1.50 Eldorado (r). (Ceefax) (s) (45201840)

2.20 Over My Dead Body: Passing Inspection. Edward Woodward and Jessica Lundy star in the last episode of the detective series. Nikki falls for a visiting Scotland Yard inspector. With Ian Ogilvy (r).

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3.05 Antiques Roadshow. Hugh Scully and the team visit Hemel Hempstead in Herifordshire (r), (Ceefax) (8027444)
3.50 Bugs Bunny Triple Bill. Cartoon (r) (5636314)
4.10 Children's BBC. Jimbo and the Jet Set. Animation (r) (9881314)
4.15 Potsworth and Co. Cartoon adventures (r) (6911444) 4.35
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7.30 Fighting Back. In the last programme in the series, Lynn Redgrave talks to Roy Castle, the host of television's long-running series, Record Breakers, and a committed non-smoker, about his battle against lung cancer. (Ceefax) (s) (79)



Welcome to paradise: Anneka Rice in Jamaica (8.00pm)

8.00 Holiday of a Lifetime. Anneka Rice awaits the arrival of two British couples in Jamaica who have to compete against each other to win a dream holiday. (Ceefax) (s) (626821)

8.50 Points of View with Anne Robinson (s) (504463)

9.00 Nine O'Clock News with Michael Buerk. (Ceefax) Regional news

and weather (2376)

9.30 The Great Los Angeles Earthquake. The predicted earthquake hits Los Angeles resulting in chaos and mass destruction. The conclusion of a two-part mini series starring Joanna Kerns, Dan

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 9.00 A Caring Community. The new government legislation for people with severe learning difficulties (r) (23956)
 9.30 Film: Ladies' Day (1943, b/w). Amiable comedy about a baseball pitcher who is distracted by his wife. Starring Lupe Velez and Eddie Albert. Directed by Leslie Goodwins (67531)
 10.30 Film: So Dark the Night (1946, b/w). Crisp little 8 thriller about a Parisian detective who becomes a murder suspect. Starring Steven Geray. Directed by Joseph H. Lewis (7074208)
 11.35 Film: County Hospital (1932, b/w). Comedy with Laurel and Hardy. Stan visits Oilie in hospital (2872482)
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2.25 Holiday Outtings. A coach trip through eastern Europe (r)
(34671024) 2.35 CountryFile. Rural news and views (r) (8347032)
3.00 News and weather (4020647) followed by All Our Children. Child
development (r) (8058314). Including at 3.50 News and weather
4.00 Film: Sorry, Wrong Number (1948, b/w). Contrived but effective
thriller starring Barbara Starnwyck as a bed-ridden woman who
overhears a murder plot. Directed by Anatole Litvak (34208)
5.30 From the Edge. Reports from the disabled. (Ceefax) (44)
6.00 Star Trek. Classic science-fiction (r). (Ceefax) (512173)
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Candidate: Peter Gallagher runs for the Democrats (9.00pm)

9.00 ScreenPlay: Buying a Landslide

CHOICE: David Edgar's first television play was written two years ago but current events in the United States give it a topical resonance. A Republican is standing for the Senate and his campaign is in trouble. He is shortly to face his Democratic opponent in a live television debate. So his advisors plan a weekend brain-storming session to review his image and policies. The title of the play comes from Joseph Kennedy's alleged remark that he was illing to buy son Jack an election but not a landslide. It is the cue for an extended debate about principle and expediency, somewhat theatrical but sustained by Edgar's wit and intelligence. The piece is smoothly performed by its American cast, with notable contributions from John Mahoney (the Candidate), Mason Adams (the campaign manager) and Griffin Dunne, who has the protal tole as a former Democrat brought in to play devil's advocate (the Campaign manager) and Grinin Duffine, who has the photoarrole as a former Democrat brought in to play deril's advocate. (Ceefax) (s) (1547) 10.30 Newsnight with Peter Snow (275753) 11.15 Edinburgh Nights. David Puttnam pays tribute to Colin Young, director of the National Film and Television School (s) (978598) 11.55 Weather (327294) 12.00 Open University. The Traditions and the Environment (8224357). Ends at 12.55am

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9.25 Jumble. Today's guests are David Jensen and Fred Dinenage (s) (6750550) 9.55 Thames News (7237579)
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1.15 Home and Away. Australian family drama. (Oracle) (971869)
1.45 A Country Practice (s) (963840)
2.15 Graham Kerr. The cook prepares a dish inspired by Dr Joyce Brothers (955821)

2.45 Take the High Road. Soap set in the Highlands (2842442) 3.10 ITM News headlines (4031753) 3.15 Tharnes News (4030024) 3.20 The Young Doctors. Australian medical drama (3143666) 3.50 Children's ITV: Scooby Doo. Cartoon adventures (5612734) 4.15

Hulk Hogan. The last in the series with the animated wrestling champion (6920192) 4.40 Fun House. Messy game show hosted by Pat Sharp. Last in the series (9862289) by rat sharp. Last in the series (980-2289)
5.10 Blockbusters. General knowledge quiz for teenagers (9420937)
5.40 ITN Early Evening News with John Suchet. (Oracle) Weather (909753) 5.55 Tharnes Help, with Jackie Spreddey (r) (224840)
6.00 Home and Away (r). (Oracle) (11)
6.30 Tharnes News (63)
7.00 Take Your Pick. Des O'Connor hosts the yes/no game show, with

Jodie Wilson (s) (2395)
7.30 Coronation Street. (Oracle) (47)

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8.00 The Darling Buds of May: When the Green Woods Laugh. The second of a two-part story, based on the novel by H.E. Bates. Pop Larkin hopes that Manette's and Charley's wedding will be "perfick". But will he get to the church on time? Starring David Jason, Catherine Zeta Jones and Philip Franks. (r) (Oracle) (s) (9531)



FBI versus racism: Debra Winger and John Heard (9.00pm)

9.00 Film: Betrayed (1988). Strong but muddled political thriller starring Debra Winger as an undercover FBI agent investigating suspected white supremacist Tom Berenger, John Heard, who plays Winger's superior, was the Ku Klux Klan leader D.C. Stephenson in the BBC mini series Cross of Fire. Directed by Constantin Costa-Gavras. Continues after the news. (Oracle) (s) (9395)

10.00 News at Ten. (Oracle) Weather (72727) 10.30 Thames News (945111)

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10.40 Film: Betrayed. Conclusion (s). (Oracle) (6113463)

12.05am Hollywood Report. A British view of Tinsel Town (4853203)

12.35 Film: Salem's Lot (1979). Superior horror film, based on the best-seller by Stephen King. Noveist David Soul returns home to New England where he encounters sinister antiques dealer James Mason. Directed by Tobe Hooper (47218749)

2.45 America's Top Ten (s) (13661)

3.15 Videofashion: French Twist. New Parisian designers (29725067)

3.40 Cuiz Night. The pub and chip team oniz (74543593)

3.40 Quiz Night. The pub and dub team quiz (74543593).
4.10 Grand Ole Ophy. Country and western music from Nashville (r)

4.40 Fifty Years On (b/w). Archive film dips (88833864)

5.00 Three's Company. American comedy series (11135) 5.30 ITN Morning News (40574). Ends at 6.00

4.30-5.30 Central Jobfinder '92 (33715)

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6.30em Morning Stretch (40734) 7.00 Super Trax (95918) 8.00 Muscle Night Super Trax (\$5518) 8.00 Muscle Night (\$6547) 9.00 Morning Stretch (85550) 9.30 Pool Championship (\$3463) *10.30 Torque (34840) *11.30 The Dealer Channel (39579) 12.00 The Footballer's Football Show (44550) 2.00pm Motor World (\$395) 2.30 GRette Sports (6024) 3.00 American Sports (33395) 4.00 US Open Termis (8918) 6.00 Football News (803531) 6.05 US Open Termis (233802) 7.00 Summersam "92 (410666) 10.00 Football News (470753) 10.05 US Open Termis (33395) 4.00 Summersam "92 (410666) 10.00 Football News (470753) 10.05 US Open Termis (43336840) BORDER

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become a serious actress we the National Theatre (s)

9.45 Idle Thoughts: with John

10.00 News; Keep It Clean (FM only): Boys, Blade and Brut, Men's aftershaves come under

scrutiny
10.00 Daily Service (LW only)
10.15 The Pilgrim's Progress (LW only): John Bunyan's allegory
(1 of 25)
10.30 Woman's Hour: introduced

by Jenni Murray 11.30 Gardeners' Question Time

12.00 You and Yours with John

Weather 1.00 The World at One 1.40 The Archers (s) (r) 1.55

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Shipping
2.00 News; Who Sings the Hero?
Matthew Solon tells the story
of the Norwegians who

braved the North Sea during the second world war (3 of 6)

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2.47 Missions Improbable:
Colonel Jasper Maskelyn was a magician who joined the Army's Camouflage Unit during the second world war and attempted amazing conjuring tricks in the Western Desert (r)
3.00 News; Four Seasons; Phill Smith percents the impact of

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7.40 Entertainment Tonight (931173)
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about a police officer whose body is
transformed into a robot (509173)
11.45 Domino (1988): Brigitte Melsen plays
a rock, wideo director (987260) a roo, week director (997/200)
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3.50 S.O.B. (1981): Scathing look at hollywood and the film industry with Julie Andrews (44236224). Ends at 6.00 Via the Astra and Marcopolo satellites 6.00am Showcase (5594043) 10.00 Russides (1987): American boys find a Russian solder on the beach (66173) THE MOVIE CHANNEL

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11.00 Major League Baseball (70463)

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6.15 Mission Impossible: The Golden Serpent (1989): More adventures for the all-new "Mission trocsoble" team (64:8869).
8.15 Curlosity Kills (1990): Strugging artist stambles on a murder plot (12:6337).
9.45 Tremots (1990): 1950s-shle morster more (79:8668).
11.25 Sorry, Wrong Namber (1989): A bed-noden woman overhears a murder plot ed-hidden woman overhears a murder plot n the telephone (272802) J09az Cold Feet (1989): A comedy about

a tro of crooks (9447155): A context active at the of crooks (9447155): Cornedy set in the 1960s starring Raul McGann (164338)
4.25 Everything Your Always Wanned To Know About Set. .. But Were Afraid to Ask (1972): Early Woody Allen comedy (570796). Ends at 6.00

THE COMEDY CHANNEL Vis the Astra satalite
 4.00pm Mr Ed (6540) 4.30 Punky Brewster
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 6.30 Three's Company (4869) 7.00 Designing Women (5821) 7.30 McHale's Navy
 (3793) 8.00 Doctor, Doctor (1869) 8.30
 Homeroom (6096) 9.00 Hogan's Heroes

e Vis the Astra satellite 10.00am Women of the World (57024) 10.30 Gameshows (75444) 11.00 Gloss (14260) 11.30 The Joan Rivers Show (7139482) 12.15pm Sally Jessy Raphael (2952956) 1.10 Lunchbox (68878753) 1.40 (295.2956) 1.10 Linchtox (58878753) 1.40 Selt-a-Vision (84935192) 2.10 Rafferty's Rules (8818579) 3.00 The New Newly Wed Game (1840) 3.30 Phylis (1579) 4.00 Dick-Van Dyke Show (3314) 4.30 Gameshows (58956) 5.30 Selt-a-Vision (3550) 6.00 Selty-Jessy Raphael (26566) 7.00 Selt-a-Vision (403376) 10.00 Jukebox Music Videos (2684314) 2.30-3.00am Top Five (37357)

FM Stereo and MW. 4.00am Bruno Brookes 6.00 Simon Mayo 9.00 Simon Bates 11.00 Radio 15M Roadshow with Gary Dawes in Bfracombe 12.30pm Newsbeat 12.45 Jakki Brambles 3.00 Steve Wright in the Afternoon 6.00 Mark Goodier's Mega Hits 6.30 News '92 7.00 Mark Goodier's Evening Session 9.00 Raving 10.00 Nicky Campbell 12.00-4.00am Paul Gambaccini

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Show 6.15 Pause for Thought 6.30 Brian Hayes
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9.00 Nigel Ogden 9.45 Peter Goodwright's Radio Times 10.00 Bombay Bear 10.30 The
Jamesons 12.05am Jazz Parade: Digby Fanweether's guest is Martin Taylor 12.38.4 en.

News and sport on the hour until 7.00pm. 6.00pm World Service: Newshour 6.30 Danny Baker's Morning Edition 9.30 Take five with 2 AM Alternative 12.30pm Cut Heroes: Buddy Andy Crane 10.30 Johnnie Walker with the AM Alternative 12.30pm Cut Heroes Buddy
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and a preview of tonight's football 4.30 Rive Asde: news from the Paralympics in Barcelona
medical update from Dr Tricia Machair 7.15 Kim Kong: 3/5 7.30 Gary Lineket's Footbal

Night, commentary on the night's top match 10.10 Hit the North, incl 11.00 Sport 12.00-12.10mm News; Sport

WORLD SERVICE

All times in BST. 4.30am World Business Report 4.40 Travel and Weather News 4.45 News and Press Review in German 5.00 Morgenmagazin and Tips für Touristen 5.27 News in German 5.30 Europe Today 5.59 Weather 6.00 World News 6.30 Londres Matin 6.59 Weather 7.00 World News 5.30 Londres Matin 6.59 Weather 7.00 World News 7.09 News About Britain 7.15 The World Today 7.30 Meridian 8.00 Newsdesk 8.30 Development '92 9.00 World News 9.09 Words of Fatth 9.15 Missions Improbable 9.30 Back To Square One 10.00 World News 1.00 World News 1.00 World News 1.00 World News 1.30 Londres Newsgapers 10.45 Sports Roundup 11.00 News Summary 11.01 Omnibus 11.30 Londres News 1.29 News About Britain 1.15 New Ideas 1.35 Winters in A Nutshell 1.45 Sports Roundup 2.00 Newshour 3.00 World News 1.35 Outdook live 3.30 Off the Shelf: Iknow Why the Caged Bird Sings 3.45 Good Books 4.00 World News 4.15 BBC English 4.30 News in German followed by Heute Aktuell 7.00 German Fedures 7.54 News in German 8.00 World News 8.05 Outdook 8.30 Europe Toright 9.00 World News 5.09 The World News 5.09 The World News 8.00 World News 5.09 The World News 8.00 World News 9.09 The World News 8.00 World News 8.00 The World News 9.00 Wo Outbook 2.30 Wavegude 2.40 Book Choice 2.45 The Farming World 3.00 N Sports International 4.00 News 4.09 Words of Faith 4.13 Sports Roundup

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Practice (971869) 1.45 Home and Away
(963840) 2.15 Gardening Time (953821)
2.45-3.0 Love at first Sight (2842442)
3.20-3.50 Take the High Road (3143666)
6.25-7.00 Central News (776444) 12.00
Shady Tales (8166777) 12.15ems Film:
Deadman's Curve (967970) 2.05 Coach
(5417388) 2.35 Alfred Hitchcock Presents
(6153390) 3.00 The Concert (93609) 4.00
Bhangra Beat — APNA Arts Special (57086)

6.55am Weather
7.00 On Air. Chris de Souza with
news, weather and previews
ind music by Handel, Bizet,
Britten, Ravel, Gounod and
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9.00 Composers of the Week:
Danius Milhaud: Jazz
Influences. Caramel Mou: Ian
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Aurèle Nicolet, flute, Oleg
Maisenberg, piano; Clarinet
Concerto: Michael Collins
(clarinet) BRC PO under Isan-

Maisarkorg, piano; Cariner Concerto; Michael Collins (clariner), BBC PO under Jean-Claude Casadesus; Three Rag Caprices; Ian Hobson, piano; La Création du Monde: John Harie, alto saxophone, London Sinfonietta under Simon Rattle 10.00 Midweek Choice with Susan Sharpe. Abel (Symphony in B flat, Op 7 No 2: Cantilena under Adrian Shepherd); Orff (in Taberna, Carmina Burana: Jeffrey Black, baritone, Michael Chance, countertenor, London Philharmonic Chorus, male voices, LPO under Franz Welser-Möst); Bridge (The Hour Glass: Kathyn Stott, plano); Beethoven (Romance No 2 in F, Op 50: Philharmonia Orchestra under John Pritchard with Yehudi Martenia.

Pritchard with Yehudi Menuhin, violin); Tosti (Aprile, Ideale, Sogno: English CO/Edoardo Müller with José

Carreras, tenor); Bourgeois (Serenade, Op 22: Christophe

(Two Pieces, Op 10; Sonata in G, Op 37: Peter Donohoe, piano); 11.45 Festival Reports: German film director Hans

lurgen Syberberg talks about his controversial interpretation

of German history 12.05
Tchakovsky (Valse a Cinq
Temps, Op 72 No 16);
Rachmaninov (Ten Etudes
Tableaux); Stravinsky (Three

Movements from Petrushka) 1.00pm News 1.05pm BBC Philharmonic under

Stephen Kovacevich with

lemck, organ) 11.00 Edinburgh International Festival 1992: live from the Queen's Hall. Tchaikovsky

RADIO 3

(piano) perform Martinu (Variations on a Slovak Theme); Kodaly (Sonata, Op 4); Dvorak (Rondo in G minor, Op 94); Suk (Balada in D minor, Op 3 No 1; Serenade in A, Op 3 No 2) (r) 3.35 Late Baroque Violin Sonatas: Elizabeth Wallfisch, violin, Richard Turnicliffe, cello, Paul Nicholson, harpsichord/organ, perform harpsichord/organ, perform Corelli (Sonata in A, Op 5 No

Conelli (Sonata in A, Op 5 No 9); Veracini (Sonata in C, Op 1 No 10)
4.00 Choral Vespers live from Westminster Cathedral
5.00 in Tune
7.30 Proms 1992: live from the Albert Hall, London. Royal Concertgebouw Orchestra under Riccardo Chalily with Maria-João Pires, piano, performs Beethoven (Plano performs Beethoven (Plano Concerto No 4 in G). In the interval at 8.05 A Defence of Poetry: Professor Kelvin Everest introduces Shelley's Ode to the West Wind and To a Skylark. The concert continues at 8.25 with Bruddner (Symphony No 1 in C

Bruckner (Symphony No 1 in C minor)

9.35 The Tixerokis of Spain:
Basque Culture in the 1990s.
Award-winning Basque writer Bernardo Abaga's book
Obabakoak (stories of Obaba), is published in English this week. Jan Fairley visits Obaba and the rest of Euskal Herria to explore Basque culture

10.20 Riches d'Amour: Machaut (Ruches d'Amour); Machaut (Riches d'amour); Members of Gothic Voices

Voices 10.35 Manchester International Cello Festival: Wolfgang Boettcher, cello, and Ian Brown, piano, perform Mendelssohn (Variations Wendessorm (various): Concertantes in D, Op 17); Ralph Kirshbaum, cello, and lan Brown, piano, perform Schumann (Fantasiesticke, Op 73); Boris Pergamenschikov, celio, and Pavel Gilliov, piano, peloris De Carette Conata

No 2 in D, Op-58) 11.30 News 11.35-12.35am Composers of the Week: Glazumov (Concert Waltz No 1; Six Songs, Op 60; String Quartet No 4 in A minor, Op 64) (r)

Stephen Kovacevich with Kyung-Wha Chung, violin; performs Wagner (Lohengrin: Prelude, Act 7); Brahms (Violin Concerto in D); Beethoven (Symphony No 5 in F, Pastoral) 2.45 Cello and Piano; Alexander Baillie (cello) and Andrew Bail COMPILED BY GILLIAN MAXEY AND PENNY OSBORN

RADIO 4 (s) Stereo on FM 5.55am Shipping Forecast 6.00 News Briefing, incl 6.03 Weather 6.10 Farming Today 6.25 Prayer for the Day 6.30 Today, incl 6.30, 7.00, 7.30, 8.00, 8.30 News 6.45 Business News 6.55, 7.55 Weather 7.25, 8.25 Sports News 7.45 Thought for the Day with Canon John Cates 8.43 Sugar for the Horse in Queenle White: Unde Silas tells of a romantic encounter 8.58 4.00 News 4.05 Kaleidoscope:
Brian Sibley interviews
playwright David Edgar,
whose first television play is
screened tonight. Plus review
of this week's film releases
4.45 Short Story, Rabbits, by
Lawrene Scritt

Lawrence Scott.
5.00 PM with Valerie Singleton and
Hugh Sykes 5.50 Shipping
5.55 Weather
6.00 Six O'Clock News

Dolores Pala, Dramatised by Elizabeth Troop. (3 of 4) 12.55

Mapplebeck compares
Victorian, Edwardian and
contemporary views of his
home town of Middlestrow
8.45 In Business: The New Age

Auditors, Nigel Cassidy joins a group of consultants in a Manchester paint company as

or a Guntin

11.00 Looking Forward to the
Past: with Robert Booth (s) (r)

11.30 Screenplay: lain Johnstone
hosts the celebrity film quiz (s)
(r)

Service (LW only)

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to England. Directed by Racul Walsh (79380463)

12.00 More Winners: The Big Wish. Australian story about a fairy who is sent to earth to dispense seven wishes (r) (27260)

1.00 Sesame Street. The guest is the actor Tim Robbins (r) (43208) Banned: Boris Pasternak, author of Dr Zhivago (2.00pm)

Great Russian Writers: Boris Fasternas.

© CHOICE: An early afternoon slot does not suggest much faith in this eight-part series from the former Soviet Union, particularly when the channel's evening schedule is given over largely to repeats. To be fair, this is unlikely to be the most riveting set of documentaries ever broadcast. For one thing, half an hour is not long enough to do justice to the subjects (which will also include Gorky, Chekhov, Tolstoy and Pushkin). For another, the project

Powell as a small-town music professor who goes to New York to find a publisher for his symphony. With Ann Sheridan. Directed by Ray Enright (95413314) 4.05 Darre the Wildest River. A Journey down the Colorado River, via the Grand Caryon (3947395) 4.30 Countdown. The words and numbers game (s) (60)
5.00 The Oprah Winfrey Show. Fathers and stepfathers discuss their jealousy over their children (7043376)
5.50 The Bunbury Tails: Bunchester United. The cartoon adventures of a team of sporting rabbits (s) (214463) 6.00 Treasure Hunt. Anneka Rice is propelled over East Anglia in her search for dues (r). (Teletext) (23444)
7.00 Channel 4 News with Jon Snow. (Teletext) Weather (367005)
7.50 Comment. A personal diatribe on a topical subject (583685)
8.00 Brookside. Merseyside Soap. (Teletext) (s) (9685) Fig. 1970 and ar to 8.30 Anton Mosimann — Naturally. The innovative chef prepares two Hungarian dishes: mushroom goulash and a spinach gnocchi with n D 9.00 Coast of Dreams. The two-part documentary about life on the Costa del Sol concludes with a report on how the British invasion Dog Losta del Soi conquoes with a report on now the British invasion has changed the lives of Spanish families (r). (Teletext) (7937)

10.00 The Golden Girls: Old Friends. American comedy series with the spunky Miami matrons. Sophia (Estelle Getty) makes a new friend (r). (Teletext) (94949)

10.30 (Bits of) Josie. Highlights of the comedienne Josie Lawrence's first solo series (s) (260821)

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Britain wins E.C passport battle FROM THE CO.

11.15 Mojo Working. A profile of the Doors, featuring dassic songs such as "Light My Fire" and "Hello, I Love You" (s) (130685)

11.45 The Steve Allen Show (b/w). A new series of American comedy shows from the 1950s. The guests are Jerry Lewis, Kim Novak and Special Days (s) 1200565 Sammy Davis Ir (139956)

12.15am Four-Mations. Three films by Bulgarian animators: February, Stage Play and Crushed World (32796) 12.45 Film: Love and God (1986). Director K. Asit's version of the Arabian love legend Qais and Laila, visualising a world without anger, hate and violence and where peace and love reign. Starring Sanjeev Kurnar and Nimmi. In Hindi with English subtitles (22593086). Ends at 3.15 B 22 11 a mark Z STRONG LANC ∑-!1---<u>.</u>

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6.00 Six O'Clock News
6.30 Round Britain Quiz (r)
7.00 News 7.05 The Archers. A
Portrait of Ambridge by Linda
Snell (s)
7.20 Performing Miracles

● CHOICE: This is a subject
that could probably only be
handled on radio and even
here it needs sensitivity. The
presenter, Andrea Adams, is
equal to the task. Her subject
is Shella Dicks, a former health
worker who is now an
embalmer. As she practises
her craft on the deceased Mrs

embalmer. As she practises her craft on the deceased Mrs Green, Dicks explains that she is not trying to bring people back to life but giving them dignity and helping relatives to come to terms with their grief. This unusual documentary makes you feel that if embalming has to be done, it could hardly be in more sympathetic hands

7.45 Medicine Now (r)

8.15 The Infant Hercules: John Mapplebeck compares

mancrester paint company as they examine new management skills
9.15 Kaleidoscope (s) (r)
9.45 Financial World Tonight with Alexander MacLeod (s)
10.45 A Book at Bedtime, The Log of a Griffin
11.00 Locking Experient to the

12.00-12.43am News, Incl 12.27 Weather 12.33 Shipping Forecast 12.43 As World